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Russian Deputies Pardon **Anti-Yeltsin Plotters**

Official Warns of a Dangerous Path' That Could Destabilize the Country

By Lee Hockstader

Washington Post Service

MOSCOW — Russia's conservative legislature, in a direct challenge to President Boris N. Yeltsin, voted overwhelmingly on Wednesday to grant a full amnesty to leaders of the 1991 coup attempt and the violent uprising of October 1993 that threatened to topple the government.

The State Duma, the lower house of the Federal Assembly that is led by Communists and extreme nationalists, voted 252 to 67, with 28 abstentions, to end the prosecutions of some of Mr. Yeltsin's fiercest opponents.

The Duma vote came on the day before Mr. Yeltsin was scheduled to make an important speech to parliament outlining his program and the future of reforms.

Until now the Duma, which has been in session six weeks, had lamethed rhetorical attacks against the president but had shied away from the sort of direct confrontations that led Mr. Yeltsin to dissolve the former legislature in October and then order a tank attack against it."

The action on Wednesday was the first overt sign that the legislators were prepared to launch a full assault on a president, whose political and physical health have recently been suspect. It was also a sign that Mr. Yeltsin, who

sacrificed the two top economic reformers in his government after the reformers' poor showing in December's legislative elections, has bought himself little political breathing space.

The constitution appears to give the Doma exclusive power to grant amnesties, and the resolution passed Wednesday declared the amnesties effective immediately. But given Mr. Yeltsin's strong opposition to an amnesty, it appeared unlikely that the leaders of the 1991 coup attempt and the 1993 rebellion would leave prison right away. It seemed possible that

Mr. Yeltsin might seek to forestall the Doma's

action, or ignore it.

The Prosecutor General's office said the release of the ringleaders could begin as early as

Thursday.
Mr. Yelisin's allies warned that the Duma vote was aimed at destabilizing Russia and stizing power from Mr. Yeltsin's government, and that it could lead to yet another constitu-

The president's spokesman, Vyacheslav Kostikov, said the Duma had "failed to draw lessons from the bitter experience" of the old

"This is a dangerous path that runs counter to Russia's interests," he said. The sole responsibility for the consequences of this deci-

on rests with the State Duma." Yeltsin allies challenged the legitimacy of the Duma's action, which they said would abort

This problem cannot be resolved by a resohas proven cannot be resolved by resolution of a legislative or political organ," said Vladimir Shumeiko, who heads the upper chamber of the parliament, the Federation Council. "It is not up to the legislators to interfere in the legal process."

The constitution, passed in a December referendum, says the Duma alone is empowered to grant amnesties. There is no role specified for the upper house in the matter.

Yegor T. Gaidar, Mr. Yeltsin's former prime mister and chief economic adviser, said the president did not have the power to veto the Duma's amnesty declaration, which he called an "extremely dangerous decision."

"I am absolutely convinced the people released from prison will start forming groups of militants in the coming months and bring them onto the streets of Moscow," Mr. Gaidar said.



President Boris N. Yeltsin of Russia answering questions from the press Wednesday after he attended a wreath-laying ceremony at Moscow's Tomb of the Unknown Soklier.

Two Questions On Sarajevo: Why So Long? And Now What?

By Elaine Sciolino

New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — Behind the self-congratulation and assertions of victory in the Clinton administration over the military respite in Sara-

administration over the miniary respite in Sarajevo lie two stark realines: Fighting still rages in parts of Bosnia-Herzegovina, and any peace settlement may very well give the Muslims less territory than they could have got a year ago. The North Atlantic Treaty Organization allies can plansibly take credit for finally giving the Bosman Serbs an ultimatum that worked, proving that the credible threat of force can get at least short-term results. But their success

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raises the question of why it took the United States and the rest of NATO so long to issue such a threat. The Serbs have been seizing

territory, after all, for nearly two years. And now the administration finds itself in the uncomfortable position of trying to figure out what to do next.

The Russians have begun to "deliver" the Serbs, who more or less did what the United Nations demanded of them around Sarajevo, and now the United States is being called on to deliver the Bosnian government without appearing to be forcing it to make concessions, Last year, the administration initially refused

to endorse the peace plan proposed by the UN envoy, Cyrus R. Vance, and the European envoy, Lord Owen, because they thought it demanded unfair concessions by the Muslimdominated government. That plan, however, offered more territory than the Muslims are now likely to get in any settlement.

President Bill Clinton held out the tantalizing possibility on Monday that a broader use of ver and diplomacy could extend the calm in the Bosnian capital to other parts of the coun-

But his senior military advisers warned legis-lators at a congressional bearing Wednesday that the White House did not want to press ahead with new measures in other parts of the country until the capital was securely under control, and that could take weeks.

The popredictability and volatility of Bosnia was highlighted again Tuesday when five Swed-ish UN peacekeepers were wounded while driv-ing in a particularly dangerous area near Tuzla, 80 kilometers (50 miles) north of Sarajevo. That sent NATO commanders and UN officials scurrying to determine whether NATO should retaliate, but in the end they decided the attack

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U.S. Is Cool To Yeltsin's **Summit Call** For Bosnia

White House Brush-Off Gets Echo in Germany; Maybe Later, They Say

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatche WASHINGTON - The United States responded coolly on Wednesday to President Boris N. Yeltsin's proposal for a one-day summit meeting on Bosnia, saying such a meeting

equired "a lot of preparation." The White House press secretary, Dee Dee Myers, did not rule out such talks completely, but the tone of her comments on the Russian president's bid for a high-level meeting was menthusiastic.

There's a tremendous amount of diplomatic action on Bosnia at this time," she said. "A summit at the beads-of-state level would re-

quire a lot of preparation. Mr. Yeltsin said io Moscow, "I have proposed to put an end to the Yugoslav problem -let us meet, the leaders of Russia, the United

States, France, Britain, Germany.' "I have proposed Moscow, Geneva, Bonn, wherever," he said, adding that "we would sign a document of historic importance and proba-bly put a final end to the bloodshed in Yugosla-

Foreign Minister Klaus Kinkel of Germany said in Bonn that the time was not yet ripe for

Ms. Myers noted that the discussions about how to achieve a peace agreement in Bosnia could lay the groundwork for a summit meeting at some point, and added, "If that's an appro-priate step, we'll certainly take a look at it."

Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher, testifying before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, made oo direct mention of the proposal, but said that cooperation with Russia on Bosnia was "not without its difficulties, but nevertheless, the overall cooperation has been

Mr. Christopher said the United States was pursuing its efforts to promote a lasting peace settlement through encouraging a Croatian-Muslim alliance that would create a kind of federated state and enable a two-way rather than a three-way division of the former Yugo-

In Zagreb, Croats and Muslims agreed to a comprehensive cease-fire in Bosnia on Wednesday, according to the United Nations special envoy, Yasushi Akashi.

UN troops will deploy to key positions to ensure compliance with the terms of the truce. A joint commission would be set up by the UN peacekeeping force to supervise the carrying out of the agreement.

Mr. Christopher also said that the United States was now looking at other UN-declared safe zones in Bosnia-Herzegovina and was making Tuzla and Srebrenica a priority, but that NATO would have to consider very carefully before trying to repeat the Sarajevo opera-

"We have been considering whether or not the Sarajevo precedent can be used elsewhere in Bosnia, we discussed that indeed at the White House this morning," Mr. Christopher said, "but we're looking at it with a lot of concern and a lot of restraint."

The polite U.S. brushoff of Mr. Yeltsin's proposal came a day after one of America's top counterintelligence agents was charged with spying for Moscow.

But it did not appear to be directly related; rather, it seemed to reflect general Western wariness of Russian diplomacy in the former

Yugoslav republic. "We need to consolidate what's happened in Sarajevo," Mr. Christopher said. But he added he was bopeful that Tuzla airport could be reopened. Serbian shelling has closed the airport, preventing relief workers from aiding

thousands of starving Bosnians.

"I feel a very can-do attitude about that," he said. "I hope that some combination of power and diplomacy will enable that airport to be opened." He noted that, unlike Sarajevo, the problem in Tuzia did not stem from shelling from the hills but potential anti-aircraft at-

The United States considers an end to the ighting between Bosnian Croats and Muslimled government forces in central Bosnia crucial to an overall peace settlement. Numerous cease-fires have failed.

Bosnian Croats and the government were initially allies, but now have been battling for the 30 percent of Bosnia not claimed by the

The cease-fire agreement reflected a new dip-lomatic push in the wake of the success of NATO's demand that Bosnian Serbs remove their heavy weapons from around Sarajevo.

There have been hopes that the plan that

worked for Sarajevo would work elsewhere in the country, but the shooting on Tuesday of five Swedish peacekeepers near the governmentheld city of Tuzla underscored the difficulty of realizing those bopes.

tist accused of betraying state secrets said Wednesday that be had been released be-

cause the charges against him had been

fabricated, Interfax news agency reported.

It said the scientist, Vil Mirzayanov, was

speaking a day after he was released from

Matrosskaya Tishina Prison in Moscow.

Mr. Mirzayanov said he was released be-

cause the charges against him "had been

CIA Officer in a Key Job Was Perfect for Russians

By R. Jeffrey Smith and Walter Pincus.

Washington Post Service WASHINGTON - In shopping for a spy at the Central Ingelligence Agency, Moscow could hardly have made a begin purchase than someone like Aldrich Hazen Ames.

A former head of the agency's Soviet counterintelligence branch, Mr. Ames was an expert

The U.S. secretary of state linked future U.S. Russian relations to Moscow's response to the spying affair. Page 3.

on CIA efforts to fecret out Russian spies. That meint he was the ideal man to help Moscow's spymasters stay one jump ahead of their CIA fees, while protecting himself from exposure.

Later, as an official of the agency's top-secret

operations directorate, Mr. Ames was privy to much of the raw intelligence sent back by American agents inside Russia. This meant that he was in a position to help Moscow defeat American spy operations and eliminate any moles in its own intelligence organization. American officials said they were still assessing the damage done by Mr. Ames's work for Russia's Foreign Intelligence Service and its

Soviet predecessor, the Committee for State

Security, or KGB, which is said to have paid him a total of \$1.5 million.

One official said it was possibly "the worst espionage case ever," and several others said it was on a par with the infamous work for Mos-cow by Warrant Officer John A. Walker Jr. of the U.S. Navy and his associates in the 1970s

["It's a disaster," said Donald Jameson, a See SPY, Page 4

Nancy Kerrigan Sizzles, Tonya Harding Fizzles

By Ian Thomsen tional Herald Tribune

HAMAR - It was a pose, and then it wasn't. For a moment Nancy Kerrigan's head was flung back and her arms were spread as gracefully as wings, but with the last strains of tension still trying to strangle ber. Until then the smile was fixed and unbelievable.

Then the people cheered and screamed as if wanting to pick ber up on their shoulders and carry her down the street. To see her skate away from that was to see a

statue coming to life.

The sky was raining flowers wrapped in cellophane as the nine judges marked the scores that gave Kerrigan the lead after the technical program Wednesday night. On paper her lead is vulnerable, with 1993 world champion Oksana Baiul of Ukraine in second place and four-time European champion Surva Bonaly of France in third. The Olympic gold medal of women's figure skating, the Academy Award of sports, will ultimately be decided by the free program Friday night, worth two-

By the way, Tonya Harding is in 10th place and practically out of contention for a medal. On Wednesday Kerrigan became everything the Harding people wanted to prevent her from becoming when they conspired to injure her right knee with a steel bar in Detroit Jan. 6. At the crowd's urging, she accepted the role that never seemed to fit her before the attack. The judges watched her body but the public looked deep into her eyes. They conspired to cheer every time she landed without apparent flaw, which was every single time, but all the time she appeared to be lighting herself.

Now she was sitting on a couch at the end of the rink in her white dress with black lace and flowers piled upon her lap and seveo cute little girls struggling to carry a garden more each toward her. There must have been five dozen flowers for her. She might have sat and drank it

walked out before they had a chance to celebrate the scoreboard announcement placing her in first. The noise followed her down the hallway like perfume.

By now Harding was out of the building. The evening began with what turned out to be a surprise appearance from Katarina Witt, who was cheered as if the 6,000 paying customers were not expecting to see her. They were saving themselves for Kernigan. It was the toughest house Witt ever played. There was a day when one could not imagine

figure skating playing any sexier than Witt, but compared to the pressures of the American win-at-all-cost theme being played out this night, the drama of a two-time Olympic champion gambling her pride seemed almost insig-nicant. At 28, dressed like Robin Hood and dancing to "Prince of Thieves," she skated as if she had returned to make things right, to restore the sport to the way she had shaped it in the 1980s. Every landing brought from her a smile truer than any from her opponents. Her reward of an early lead was maintained throughout the first two bours of the program. She is in sixth place now, behind German teammate Tanja Szewczenko (fifth) and Lu

Chen of China (fourth).

A few minutes later, Harding appeared with the next group. Her dress was red and the estones flickered. In the warm-up she was concentrating on her triple lutz, the first part of her mandatory combination. She trembled on her landing, and the next time she fell. Twice more she attempted it, but she was only brave enough to complete a double. So this was going to decide the night for her. Her music was, "Much Ado About Noth-

ing." You would think she might have wanted to change that. She began by moving backward toward the spot where the ice from her failed warm-up takeoffs shone like shiny pieces of broken glass. She took off and spun three anding ... on two feet. So in the opening

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Behind Legend of India's Bandit Queen, a Grim Story

rural robbers, and for the rape of Miss Devi before she escaped and returning with her own

Villagers said that 50 men were taken to the river bank for execution when Miss Devi was unable to find the two men who killed her lover and that the survivors included many who were gravely wounded.

The massacre so shocked India that Indira Gandhi, prime minister at the time, ordered a

rifle and bandolier. She set terms that included a guarantee that she and fellow gang members would serve no more than eight years.

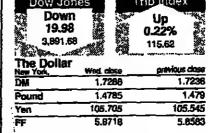
The deal was kept for the men who surrendered with their leader, but Miss Devi remained in prison until India's Supreme Court ordered her release last Friday.

The court was reacting to a move in January by Mulayam Singh Yaday, chief minister of a newly elected lower-caste government in Uttar Pradesh, India's most populous state. He waited only briefly after elections in December before announcing that he ordered the state to charges against Miss Devi, including several relating to the Behmai massacre.

"She has suffered enough," he said. By then, Miss Devi's stature had outrun the

Kiosk

Charges 'Fabricated,' Russian Says MOSCOW (Reuters) - A Russian scien-



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Kim Young Sam expressed optimism North Korea would accept inspections. Page 5.

The prosecution argues that Mr. Mirzayanov revealed state secrets in a 1992 newspaper article, in which he said that Russian research into chemical weapons development continued until 1991, later than officially declared.

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A Bonnie Day, indeed

Competing in her last Olympic race, the

1,000 meters. Bonnie Blair became the

most successful U.S. Olympic woman of

all time by skating to her fifth gold. And

with her sixth medal overall, she swept

By John F. Burns

New York Tunes Service

NEW DELHI — In the legend, conveyed by the books, films and articles that have made her

one of India's best-known women, Phoolan

Devi is known as the Bandit Queen, the Aveng-

ing Angel and the Rebel of the Ravines - a lower-caste fisherman's daughter from the badlands south of Delhi who leveled a bolt-action Manser rifle to protest a life of caste misery and

Tonya Harding, left, placed 10th with an uninspired technical program, while Nancy Kerrigan won over the crowd and the judges.

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past Eric Heiden to become the most

Wasmeler: Really Super

Markus Wasmeier of Germany, trans-

formed suddenly from journeyman to

successful U.S. winter Olympian.

When Miss Devi was released from prison last weekend, after 11 years without trial, few newspapers revived the grimmer facts behind the legend, involving years of armed robbery. kidnapping for ransom and murder.

"I will work for the indifferent of women and the downtrodden," Miss Devi, who is illiterate, said as she set off to visit to Hindu shrines and. meet delegates from lower-caste political par-ties that hope to capture her as a future candi-

date; of at least as a symbol.

According to indictments against Miss Devi now being quashed, the banditry culminated in the killing by Miss Devi's gang of 22 men belonging to the upper-caste Thakurs, who own

much of the land in the area of Behmai, a village in the arid moonscape of Uttar Pradesh State 150 miles (240 kilometers) south of New Delhi. The police version was that Behmai was less an act of social protest than of revenge for the killing of Miss Devi's lover by rival dacouts, or

superstar, won his second gold medal of.

these Games when he beat Urs Kaelin of

Switzerland by two-bundredths of a sec-

ond in the giant slalam. It was the closest

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Alpine race in Olympic history.

police operation that took more than two years to bring Miss Devi to book, and then only by means of a surrender she stage-managed.

Miss Devi appeared in jeans, with a loaded

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By Ken Brown

New York Times Service

NEW YORK — Fearful of becoming politically and culturally irrelevant. France is giving money to six

new generation of Francophiles. The French are responding to declining interest among Americans in their language and culture, and in growing tension between France and the United States, which exploded into the open last year during the waning days of world trade talks.

"France is the one major country that has not put much money or effort into American universities." said Ezra N. Suleiman, a professor of politics at Princeinn University. "And with what bappened with for its generosity. the GATT, they are feeling very misunderstood and ignored in the United States.

Other countries, particularly Japan and Germany. have been giving money to American colleges and universities in further interest in their languages and

Germany, for example, created centers for German studies at Harvard University, the University of California at Berkeley and Georgetown University

lence in French Studies, which will emphasize interdisciplinary courses and research in French culture, poli-

By Barry James

ment said Wednesday that it would resume operation of the accident-

plagued Superphenix breeder reac-tor, but that the generation of elec-

tricity would no longer be its

Instead, tacitly reflecting growing international concern about nu-

clear proliferation, it said the reactor would be recommissioned as a research machine, partly to study how to dispose of plutonium and

long-lived radioactive waste prod-

the heels of reports that Japan in-tends to slow down its nuclear fuel

producing and recycling program.

Japan intends to activate a hreeder reactor, similar to the Superphenix,

next month. But plans in develop other such reactors and expand re-

processing facilities could be set

back 20 years, according to Japa-nese and U.S. officials in Tokyo.

The Superphénix reactor at Creys-Malville, the first of its kind,

was conceived in the early 1970s

during the time of the first world oil crisis and amid concerns that ura-

nium would become increasingly

Planners then thought France's electricity needs would increase 7 percent a year indefinitely, which

bas not been the case. And the

hreeder reactor has proved much

costlier and more complicated to

operate than light-water reactors.

In four years of operation, the Su-

perphenix ran at full capacity only for 174 days because of continual

in its breeder configuration, the

plant burns a mixture of 15 percent

plutonium and 85 percent uranium

238, and produces both electricity

and further supplies of fuel in the

The world is now awash in urani-

technical problems.

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principal purpose.

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the French Embassy. The six universities - Harvard Princeton, John major American universities in the hope of creating a Hopkins, Berkeley, the University of Pennsylvania and the University of Chicago - will share \$400,000 a year for the next three years and will have wide discretion in using the money. The French government, which will decide on future financing, is evaluat-

> While the French government stresses the positive, hoping to improve communications and understanding between France and the United States, American academicians say there are more fundamental reasons

ing the program.

"If France ceases to be important for the United States, it's not going in be long before it's not important for anybody else, except the French," said Ste-phen G. Nichols, a professor of French and bumanities at Johns Hopkins.

And there is evidence that France bas begun to slip in the United States. A 1991 study by the Modern Language Association, which is made up of teachers and language scholars, showed that while total college The French program creates six Centers of Excel- enrollment in foreign language classes rose 18 percent from 1986 to 1990, enrollment in French fell t percent.

During the same period, enrollment in Japanese

Paris Says Breeder Reactor Will Serve Research

most popular languages in college instruction, the only marked by squabbling between the French and Ameriones besides French to decline were Hebrew and

ancient Greek. The long-term trend is even more troubling, according to the study, which was financed by the federal government. From 1968 to 1990, enrollment in French liberalization package. language classes decreased 30 percent, while enroll-

ment in Japanese classes jumped nearly 1,000 percent. The popularity of Japanese and other languages in the United States stems in part from support of the over agriculture subsidies and the war in Bosnia-governments of those countries. And while enrollment Herzegovina. Relations between the two countries in language classes is not an exact measure of interest have become strained in a country, it is a good barometer, educators say.

"If the French didn't begin to have similar programs, it was going to be very difficult to maintain the level of visibility that French has always had." Mr. Nichols said, adding that for the French. acknowledging the problem was half the battle.

It means, he said, "admitting the unthinkable, which means that French culture somewhere in the world might not be where it used to be."

While the opening of Euro Disney outside Paris and the popularity of American movies in France had some effect on the French initiative, officials on both sides of the Atlantie said the explanation was broader.

tics and science, said Philippe M. Reliquet, who is based in New York as the deputy cultural counselor at Spanish 30 percent and German 10 percent. Of the 12 Agreement on Tariffs and Trade in December were cans over movies and television.

The French won the battle, after getting support from other European countries, and movies and televi-sion were excluded from the proposed world trade-

The fight over opening France to more American movies and television series left bad feelings, which have been compounded by French-American disputes

While the program of academic grants has only a small budget, it was debated at the highest levels of

French government, Mr. Nichols said.
"You have to understand," he said, "the French are big on concepts, so the concept was a lot bigger than the money.

Irrelevance may be inconceivable, or at least inadmissible, to the French. But to Americans who teach about France, the prospect is real, and they are both pleased and relieved at the new program

"It allows us to break the stereotypes in which you associate France with wine and cheese," Mr. Nichols

Italian Legislator's Arrest Staved Off

ROME (Reuters) — The Italian Parliament refused to give magistrates; authority on Wednesday to make the first arrest of a legislator since the

country's widespread corruption scandal broke two years ago.

The Chamber of Deputies voted, 225 to 176, in a secret ballot not to lift, parliamentary immunity from arrest of Giulio Di Donato, the formers deputy leader of the Socialist Party.

Magistrates in Naples had country parliamentary authority at the secret party.

Magistrates in Naples had sought parliamentary authority to detain Mr. Di Donato, 46, on suspicion of receiving a 500 million line (\$300,000) bribe from a company awarded a garbage collection contract in the southern port. The request had been approved by the lower house committee on parliamentary immunity on Feb. 9. The vote was one of the final acts by the chamber before elections on March 27-28.

Dreyfus Case Still Alive, Poll Finds

PARIS (AP) — A century after the Dreyfus affair, a poll made public Wednesday indicated that most French think the lessons to be learned from the anti-Semitism case were still relevant.

The frame-up of Captain Alfred Dreyfus on treason charges still had implications today for 68 percent of those responding, according to a politaken last month for La Vie, a weekly magazine, and the French League of Human Rights. Only 19 percent said the affair should be "nelegated to

The Jewish captain was convicted of treason Dec. 22, 1894, by courtmartial and was sentenced to life imprisonment. He was exonerated by a civilian appeals court in 1906. The military, however, never reversed its guilty verdict. The survey indicated that 45 percent of those polied believed that xenophobia, racism and anti-Semitism have increased in France in the last 100 years, compared with 12 percent who said the

EU Moves Ahead on Voting Rights

BRUSSELS (Reuters) — European Union citizens living and paying taxes in an EU country other than their own should be allowed to vote and run for office in that country, the European Commission said

Wednesday.

The move affects 5 million EU citizens, among them 1.2 million Italians and 840,000 Portuguese, living outside their home country.

They live in a community, they pay their taxes and, therefore, are deemed to have a say in the way in which things are run," said Raniero Vanni d'Archirafi, an EU commissioner. EU states are due to approve the proposal by the end of the year for it take effect on July 1, 1996.

U.S. Backs Hanoi Bid to Join ASEAN

MANILA (AFP) — The United States supports Vietnam's bid for membership in the Association of South East Asian Nations along with Cambodia and Laos as part of their reintegration into the regional economy, a senior American official said Wednesday.

The official, Sandra Kristoff, director for Asian affairs at the U.S. National Security Council, said the three countries could also eventually join the 17-member Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation forum.

"The United States believes that the three Indochinese economics should in fact be reintegrated into the Southeast Asian economy," she

said at a satellite conference with Asian journalists and diplomats. She added that Washington "would be supportive of efforts to bring those three into existing institutions," such as ASEAN.

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Afghans Attack Pakistan Embassy

KABUL (AFP) - A mob of Afghan demonstrators attacked the Pakistan Embassy in Kabul on Wednesday, badly beating several Pakistani employees, smashing windows and furniture and burning the Pakistani flag in the street.

Security forces were slow in responding to what started as a peaceful march to the embassy, where demonstrators wanted to protest the killing of three Afghan gummen at the Afghan Embassy in Islamabad. The gummen, who held children hostage in the embassy, were killed on fonday by Pakistani commandos.

On Wednesday, two badly beaten and bleeding Pakistani staff members narrowly escaped a lynching when they were dragged ontside by the enraged crowd. "The Pakistanis disgraced our embassy in Islamabad," one demonstrator said. "This is our response."

TRAVEL UPDATE

explosion, two people were killed and eight wounded on Wednesday when bundreds of policy with the property of the property of

holiest sites in Islam, will reappear in its full glory on March 20 when the scaffolding comes off after more than a year of restoration.

King Hussein of Jordan financed the \$8 million restoration of the 7thcentury shrine, which houses the sacred rock upon which Abraham prepared to sacrifice his son Isaac and from where Mohammed began his ight Journey to heaven, according to tradition. The dome, which dominates the Old City of Jerusalem atop the Temple

Mount esplanade, which is body to Muslims, Jews and Christians, has been covered with a thin layer of 24-carat gold. The original dome was gold, but history says it was melted down to pay off a caliph's debts.

At least 12 people died in traffic accidents across Germany after snow left roads icy, the police said Wednesday. Chaos was reported on many highways, with multiple crashes and traffic jams.

Northwest Airlines will train 250 Chinese pilots from five carriers to help ease China's acute shortage of skilled pilots, a senior airline official said Wednesday. Pilots from China Southwest, China Eastern, China Northern, Shanghai Airlines, and Xiamen Airlines will take initial or refresher courses at the U.S. airline's Northwest Aerospace Training Corp. in Minneapolis. (Reuters

Japan's magnetic levitation train has set a speed record of 423 kilometers (263 miles) an hour during a test run in Hyuga in southern Japan. officials said Wednesday.

Thailand enjoyed a 13.7 percent rise in tourists in the first 10 months of last year, compared with the same period in the previous year, the Tourism Authority of Thailand said Wednesday. (AFP)

Kohl Gives a Pep Talk To the Party Faithful

HAMBURG (Reuters) -Chanting "Helmut! Helmut!" delegates wound up a three-day con-gress of Germany's Christian Dem-ocrats on Wednesday after Chancellor Helmat Kohi's closing ployment of four million, the issue

with the Lower Saxony state poll on March 13. We are determined to fight for every vote," he said. "This is a message of confidence that we can all coavey."

call to arms in an election year.

The 63-year-old chancellor delivered his final pep talk before a more time attacking Rudoll series of 19 ballots in 1994, starting Scharping, 46, the opposition lead-Scharping, 46, the opposition lead-er, whose Social Democrats hold a 41 to 35 percent lead over the Christain Democrats in opinion

polls, and stressing Mr. Kohl's experience in foreign policy.

difficult election challenge after

In Egyptian Train Blast

5 Tourists

Wounded

ASSIUT, Egypt —An explosion wounded five foreign tourists and five Egyptians traveling in a first-class car of a train in southern Egypt on Wednesday, security sources said.

An explosive device was thrown into the car from outside the train at 3 P.M., about half an hour after it left the station at Assiut, one of the centers of the militant Islamic

The foreigners were a German, two Australians and two New Zealanders. Their wounds were not serious, the sources said. Among the Egyptian casualties were a policeman, a scholar and an engineer.

Gummen opened fire on the night train on the same route last Saturday, wounding two foreign-

The explosion on Wednesday appeared to be the fourth deliberale attack on foreigners in Egypt this month. The Islamic Group took responsibility for the first three attacks. The group has ad-vised tourists and foreign investors to leave the country for their own

In the past 18 months, Muslim militants have attacked foreigners on 15 occasions, killing 3 and wounding 22. The attacks have devastated the Egyptian tourist in-dustry, which used to bring in \$3 billion a year.

when bundreds of policemen, some in armored cars, stormed Muslim militant hideouts on the edge of the desert. The police in the nearby town of el-Badari said that the militants opened fire first and that it took about an hour for policemen to win control of the area.

A policeman and a Muslim militant were killed.

Longuet told reporters that it to burn the fuel currently in the At the Cherbourg plant, about 3 as reactor rods from Japan, Germapercent of highly fissile waste is ny and some other European coun-removed from irradiated fuel rods tries. The agreements call for the would be used for research and reactor core. And they said it would be capable of handling only a tiny fraction of the nuclear waste prodemonstration purposes, rather than for electricity generation, and in a chemical process. This is then that the overriding consideration sealed into glass blocks to ensure duced in France each year. would be for security. Officials stressed that the deci-

A worker at the entrance to the radioactivity control room of Superphénix, the nuclear plant in Creys-Malville, southern France,

The plant has cost an estimated 25 billion francs (\$4.2 billion), not counting foregone income from lost electricity generation, and the cost of any compensation to the three-quarters of its electricity, op-French-Italian-German consor- erates two plants at Cherbourg that tium that operated the facility.

In a different configuration of cutbacks in the United States and tor produces less plutonium than it Russia. The main international consumes and could, in theory, be concern is about plutonium, which used to burn both excess plutonium can easily be turned into material and some of the long-lived actinides produced in conventional re-The Superphenix has been shut actors. But experis said it would down since July 1990, following the take several years to conven the contamination of its liquid sodium plant from a breeder to a burner

sion on the breeder reactor did not affect the country's nuclear fuel reprocessing program. France, which has 57 nuclear reactors producing currently handle about 90 percent of the world's reprocessing.

British plans to activate a similar plant this year have been challenged in the High Court to London. Japan, which currently operates only a pilot reprocessing unit, is planning to build a commercial unit at Rokkasho. But the status of this project was not clear following the reports of a slowdown in the coolant. Industry Minister Gerard role, since it will be necessary first nuclear program.

its stability. The blocks are stored on the site pending permanent underground disposal at a site yet to be selected.

The remainder of the fuel, consisting of 1 percent plutonium and 96 percent uranium, can be reused. in Germany and Belgium, and at five reactors in France, but is not currently recyclable. This means that the supply of plutonium from

all of France's nuclear fuel as well troleum.

the reprocessing is mounting, lead-

ing in the concern about prolifera-

return of the reusable uranium, the plutonium and the highly radioactive waste. But when France sent back a ton of plutonium belonging to Japan last year, an international outcry ensued

The United States abandoned a project to build a commercial reprocessing plant during the Carter A mixed oxide reactor fuel con- administration. It stores spent retaining plutonium in place of en- actor fuel rods in tanks of water

Jean Syrota, the president of France's fuel recycling firm, Cogema, says that resource-poor countries like France and Japan do not have the option of "wasting" such energy. Each ton of plutoni-um, be said, contains the energy The Cherbourg plant processes equivalent of a million tons of pe-

Austria Fights U.S. Backing for a Soviet-Designed Atom Plant

By Thomas W. Lippman

Washington Post Service
WASHINGTON — A United States decision to provide loan guarantees that would permit completion of a Soviet-designed nuclear power plant in the Czech Republic is drawing strong objections from Austria and from environmental groups.

Austria issued a diplomatic protest Tuesday in an effort to persuade Congress to prevent the Exponimport Bank from issuing the guarantees. The plant would be less than 40 miles (65 kilometers) from the

The Ex-Im Bank has notified Congress that it intends in guarantee \$317 million in international loans final until 35 days after the notification in Congress. so that CEZ, the Czech electric utility, can hire Wes- which was dated Jan. 27.

tinghouse Electric Co. to finish the plant and provide nuclear fuel. The bank made its decision after the White House endorsed the project.

Any move to complete and operate a Soviet-designed nuclear plant was bound to stir controversy in Eastern and Central Europe, still traumatized by the 1986 Chemobyl disaster. But the Ex-Im bank agreed to the deal after the National Security Council and the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission approved it Ex-Im concluded it represented an economically feasi-ble way to provide electricity to the Czech Republic while reducing air pollution there caused by coal-

burning power plants.

By law, the Ex-Im bank decision cannot become

An Austrian delegation headed by the former for-eign minister, Peter Jankowitsch, is in Washington experience has shown that nuclear hazards do not trying to persuade Congress to block the transaction. The delegation issued an aide-memoire proclaiming Austria's "most serious concern about the decision to attempt grafting U.S. instrumentation and control systems, and a new fuel design onto a flawed Soviet

design, particularly at this stage of construction."

The 1,900-megawatt Ternelin Nuclear Power Plant consists of two units — one about 65 to 85 percent complete, the other 50 percent complete — according to trade journals. 'An accident at Temelin could result in devastating

health, environmental, economic and social consequences for all of Austria's eight million citizens." according to a "technical memorandum" prepared for

respect national borders." That report said the International Atomic Energy Agency had identified 16 areas in which the Soviet

reactors, known as VVER-1000, were "deficient when compared to U.S. regulations and IAEA standards." The National Security Council's review, however, said the agency and the Department of Energy agreed that "the VVER-1000 design can be improved to meet a level of safety acceptable in Western countries."

The Clinton administration is satisfied that Czech nuclear regulators have the "technical competence and commitment to safety" to operate the plant properly once Westinghouse completes it, the memo in Ex-

EUROPEAN TOPICS

Proposed Tax on Childless **Provokes Outcry in Germany**

In Germany, as in many developed countries, the family is falling on hard times. But a federal minister's proposal to tax childless Germans in order to increase family benefits has brought angry dissent. The numbers tell the survy: More than half of all

Germans live in childless or one-child households, and only one household in 20 has three or more : children, reports the magazine WirtschaftsWoche. Parents having their seventh child tor more) receive a bonus of 500 Deutsche marks (\$290) and the con-granulations of the federal president. But last year, fewer than 600 couples qualified, and President Richard von Weizsäcker was kept far busier congratulating those Germans who turned 100 (there were 1,959, up from 1.827).

Hannelore Roensch, minister for families, says an additional 9 billion DM is needed for family benefits. But her proposal to tax the childless has been sharply condemned by representatives of all parties.
"We need a new tax on the childless." said the

Christian Democrais' Friedhelm Ost, "like we need a new tax on the bearded or the bald."

The number of British men using anti-discrimination laws to secure jobs traditionally held by women is up sharply. The Sunday Times reports. More than 40 percent of such complaints are now filed by men seeking work as secretaries, sales assistants, or in child-care and health-related fields. The trend, according to the Equal Opportunities Commission explained partly by recession and partly by a shift from manufacturing to the service sector throughout

One of France's best-known astrologers, Elizabeth Teissier, has launched a campaign for the creation of

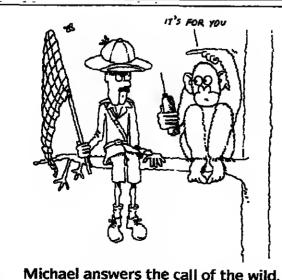
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a "chair of research on the statistics and the teaching of the history of astrology" at the Sorbonne. Mil-lions of French read their horoscopes every day; and until 1666, when the redoubtable Jean-Baptiste Colbert decided otherwise, astrology was taught at the Sorbonne. Scientists contacted by Le Point said they found it depressing that anyone still spoke of astrology as if it were a serious discipline. But Mme. Teissier says President François Mitterrand was sympathetic to her idea when she broached it with him a few years ago; she foretells success in her

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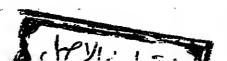


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THE AMERICAS / 'WORST SPY CASE EVER'

CLA Affair Won't Derail Basic Russia Ties, Clinton Says



Aldrich Hazen Ames entering a car after he was arraigned at federal court in Alexandria, Virginia, on charges of spying for Russia.

In 1980s, U.S. Caught Swarms of Spies

The Associated Press series. Following are some other recent cases that

have been made public. ● A former CIA agent, David H. Barnett, pleaded guilty in 1980 to spying for the Soviet Union between 1976 and 1979 while he was based in Indonesia. The first current or former CIA agent convicted of espionage, Mr. Barnett admitted to having exposed the identities of 30 American agents.

Retired Warrant Officer John A. Walker Jr. of the U.S. Navy pleaded guilty in 1985 along with his son, Seaman Michael L. Walker, 22, to charges of spying for the Soviet Union. Mr. Walker admitted to having passed secrets to the Soviets while he was a shipboard communications officer and after his retirement by recruiting his son, brother and a friend to provide fresh information.

Mr. Walker's brother, Arthur Walker, a re- turned up in the Soviet Union in 1986, where he The case of Aldrich H. Ames is the latest in a tired navy lieutenant commander, was convict- still lives. ed in 1985 of stealing secret documents from a defense contractor and giving them to John A. Walker Jr. for delivery to the Soviets.

· A former CIA clerk, Sharon Scranage, pleaded guilty in 1985 to disclosing the names of U.S. intelligence agents to her Ghanaian boyfriend, Miss Scranage served in Ghana for the CIA.

· A CIA translator, Larry Wu-tai Chin, was convicted in 1986 of spying for China since 1952. Within days of his conviction, Mr. Chin isilled himself by placing a plastic bag over his face to die of asphyxiation.

• A former CIA officer, Edward Lee How-

ard, fled the country in 1985 as the FBI was investigating him for spying for the Soviet Union. Mr. Howard, who is accused of disclosing the identities of CIA agents in Moscow, grounds that be lied to investigators.

• A former employee of the National Security Agency, Ronald W. Pelton, was convicted in 1986 of selling top-secret signals intelligence information in the Soviet Union. Jonathan Jay Pollard, a civilian navy intel-

ligence analyst, pleaded guilty in 1986 to spying for Israel. He is serving a life sentence, but President Bill Clinton is considering his appli-cation for elemency, which is supported by the

Israeli government.

• Felix Block, a Foreign Service officer, was suspended in 1989 by the State Department after reportedly being monitored by video camera passing a suitcase to a Soviet agent in Paris. Mr. Bloch, who was once charge d'affaires at the U.S. Embassy in Vienna. was not charged

By Paul F. Horvitz International Herald Tribune

WASHINGTON -- The broad direction of U.S. policy toward Russia will not change as a result of the major espionage incident iovolving the two nations. President Bill Clinton declared Wednesday.

But Mr. Clinton and other top U.S. officials emphasized that Russia's response to stern U.S. complaints about the matter could have some impact on U.S.-Russian rela-

The White House's dual message strongly implied that Washington was seeking to maintain the overall direction of its Russia policy while exacting some price from Moscow for its alleged complicity in obtaining damaging U.S. secrets from Alduch Hazen Ames

Mr. Ames, a senior CIA officer who formerly oversaw counterintelligence against the Soviets, was charged Tuesday with passing se-crets to the Soviet Union and then to the Russian government.

Mr. Clinton said his policy, which has focused on vigorous support for President Boris N. Yeltsin as long as he continues on a path toward greater democracy and free-market economics, was not in

jeopardy. "I do not think the facts of this case at this time undermine in any way, shape or form the policy we have followed for the last year toward President Yeltsin and his government and the forces of change in Russia," Mr. Clinton said at an

impromptu news conference. He added: "I still believe it is in the interest of the United States to support democracy, to support the movement toward economic reform, to support the absence of weapons proliferation, to support the denuclearization of Russia.

But the president also characterized the Ames matter as "unusually In direct complaints to the Rus-

sian government, U.S. officials have reportedly demanded the withdrawal of Russian diplomats who they believed worked with Mr. Ames to obtain U.S. secrets.

There were also signs that the Clinton administration was considering expulsion of the Russian diplomats if Moscow did out act volantarily, and the White House may test in the strongest terms,

have also demanded further Rus sian actions to clear the air.

U.S. officials refrained from publicly spelling out any demands. "We have launched a formal protest and a strong one." Mr. Clinton said. "I think we should wait and see what the full response of the Russians is before we make any other determinations.

Earlier. Dee Dee Myers, the White House press secretary, said, "If they don't take acuon, we will." Some of the strongest language came from Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher.

Saying that recent Russian actions have "revived our lears," he told a Senate committee that "the extent of the effect of this incident on our relationship with Russia will depend upon Russian acuons in the days ahead."

Mr. Christopher repeatedly referred to the espionage matter as VCTV SCHOOLS.

Despite murmurings in Congress suggesting that the future of U.S. financial aid to Russia should be reviewed. Mr. Christopher gave no hint that such aid hung in the hal-

At least one important senator said Wednesday that the incident should be linked to future aid. Dennis DeConcini, an Arizona Democrat who is chairman of the Senate Select Committee on intelligence. said he hoped U.S. officials would tell the Russians that "if they continue this kind of operation, it's going to jeopardize future fund-

Mr. Christopher said that U.S. aid was not "charity." but rather an investment in the kinds of democrave reforms that are in the strategie interests of the United States.

"We don't have illusions about the Russians," Mr. Christopher told Congress. "We understand that the intelligence service may have changed its name, but it's probably not changed its method of operation. So we need to be very

The secretary of state declined to specify the demands U.S. officials have made of Russia in connection with the Ames case. On Tuesday. he called in the Russian charge d'affaires in Washington "to pro-

* POLITICAL NOTES*

U.S. Moves to Protect Minority Districts

WASHINGTON - The Justice Department has acted to protect black-majority congressional districts that are facing private legal challenges in three states and is considering similar action in a fourth

The department moved to intervene and join the state of Georgia in defending a challenge to the constitutionality of the district of Representative Cynthia McKinney, one of three black and eight white House members from Georgia.

It decided to file friend-of-the-court briefs in similar cases in North Carolina, where the district of another Democratic representative, Melvin Watt, has been challenged, and in Texas, where a Lation-majority district and a black majority district in the Houston area have been attacked as unconstitutionally drawn.

This department is committed to protecting minority voting rights gains that were achieved through redistricting after the 1990 census." Attorney General Janet Reno said.

"Our actions today will help ensure that the clock is not turned back and that those gains are not undone," she said.

Later, President Bill Clinton added: "These hard-won victories

Ms. Reno's announcement and Mr. Clinton's follow-up statement, however, failed to reassure members of the Congressional. Black Caucus and other minority leaders who said even stronger

action was necessary to preserve black and Latino gains achieved as a result of redistricting for the 1992 elections.
"We think she should intervene in all of the cases," said Representative Cleo Fields. Democrat of Louisiana, whose Z-shaped district

has been ruled unconstitutional by a three-judge federal court. The Justice Department filed a friend-of-the-court brief in his case, which is now being appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court.

The private lawsuits were filed after the Supreme Court ruled last year in a North Carolina case that state legislatures might be violating white voters' rights to equal protection of the laws by creating congressional districts designed to give minorioles an elec-

Primarily as a result of political boundary changes, 13 more blacks and six more Latinos were elected to the House in 1992.

Blacks were sent to Congress for the first time in a century from Virginia and for the first time ever from North Carolina, South Carolina, Florida and Arkansas.

Money isn't Everything, the Losers Learn

WASHINGTON - Looking at the year-end bank accounts of the national political party committees, it's hard to tell the winners from

The Democracie National Committee raised a record amount for a nonpresidential year but spent most of it.

The Republican National Committee, which lost the contest for the White House, is flush.

And while President Bill Clinton says campaign finance reform is a legislative priority, his party raised nearly half its funds in 1993 from wealthy individuals and corporations in so-called soft money - one of the most criticized aspects of the present system.

Records of the Federal Election Commission show that the Democratic National Committee raised \$31.2 million last year. But it had more debts than cash in the bank before counting its soft-money reserves.

The Republican National Committee outdid the Democrats by It had nearly \$7 million in the bank and no debts heading into

1994, when 36 governorships are up for grabs, as well as the entire House and 34 Senate seats. (WP)

High Court Protects Federal Agencies

WASHINGTON — Federal agencies cannot be forced to pay monetary damages to people whose constitutional rights they violated, the Supreme Court ruled Wednesday.

A 1971 high court ruling allows people who allege constitutional violations to sue federal officials in federal courts. But the justices Wednesday unanimously said the government and its agencies were not subject to such lawsuits.

"If we were to imply a damages action directly against federal agencies, there would be no reason for aggrieved parties to bring damages actions against iodividual officers," Justice Clarence Thomas wrote for the court.

That would end the deterrent effect of the 1971 ruling, he said.

House Leader Injured in Auto Accident

WASHINGTON - Robert H. Michel of Illinois, the House Republican leader, suffered head injuries in a car accident near the Capitol building, his office said.

He was taken to a bospital but his injuries did not appear serious,

The continuation of Russian espionage activities against the United States is unacceptable."

Moscow Dismisses Episode as a Trifle, 'Nothing Sensational' On the spy case, Russian offi-vave of spy mania," which he said cations, so we need to stabilize our diminished since the collapse of either," he said. "Why should they cials accused Washington of over- would "contradict the ideas of an partnership." cast a shadow on relations with

By Lee Hockstader

government and intelligence offi-cials rolled their eyes on Wednescommonplace trifle and the Ameriperhaps a jealous rejoinder to Russia's recent diplomatic coup in Bos-

At the same time, President Boris N. Yeltsin's senior spokesman unleashed a fierce. Cold War-styletirade against NATO, accusing the Western alliance of war-mongering

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in Bosnia. In the comments of several senior officials, there was an undertone of concern on Wednesday that for the first time since the collapse of Soviet communism, tension between Washington and Moscow might challenge the vaunted new partnership between the Cold War

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spied for Moscow. There is nothing scusational in the fact that intelligence services are working in various countries," said Yuri Kobaladze, chief spokesman for the Russia's Foreign Intelligence Service, a successor agency to the KGB, speaking on Russian television. This is totally the problem of Washington, the ClA and the FBL Is doesn't involve us.".

Mr. Kobaladze also warned Washington against opsetting bilateral relations. "We have to be very careful not to rock the boat," he said, according to Reuters. Mr. Yeltsin's chief spokesman,

Vyacheslav Kostikov, warned

Washington Pear Service cials accused Washington of over-would "contradict the ideas of an MOSCOW — Senior Russian reacting. But at the same time, no international partnership for Mr. Ames, a former chief of the

sia, was arrested and charged with turn for furnishing secrets to Moscow for years.

The Russian remarks playing down the case came as the U.S. ambassador to Russia, Thomas R. Pickering, delivered a formal protest on Wednesday to Deputy Foreign Minister Sergei Lavrov. Mr. Lavrov was standing in for Foreign Minister Andrei V. Kozyrev, who was in Poland.

At a news conference in the Pol-ish city of Krakow, Mr. Kozyrev said: "I think we have already reached a stage in our relations where any incident requires proof. Washington against "returning to where any incident requires proof, the psychology of the Cold War I rule out any breakdown in our and whipping up distrust and a new partnership. There may be compli-

Oleg Kalugin, a retired KGB general, said in an interview that spying continued much as before day over the spy furor in Washing key CIA official arrested this week class counterintelligence branch to up districtions of espionage, had for the Soviet Union and then Rusnature of the Cold War.

live with." Mr. Kalugin said. "I think this case has been overdramatized by U.S. officials. Look, we did have KGB guys arrested in Moscow as CIA spies, and nobody ever demanded the withdrawal of embassy officials. I would take this as one of those episodes left over from the Cold War."

He said that it was "a major coup for the Soviets," because Mr. Ames had worked for so long for Moscow, and added: "It's also a major coup for U.S. counterintelligence. So I would congratulate both."

Mr. Kalugin and other analysts noted that United States espionage in Russia did not appear to have

Last month, on the eve of Presi-

dent Bill Clinton's visit to Moscow, a senior counterintelligence official said at a news conference here that 20 Russians had been arrested regested that the Clinton administracently for spying, presumably in-U.S. intelligence agencies. The pronouncement received little publicity and was not remarked upon by

other Russian officials. The Russian news agency Inter-fax quoted an unidentified senior Russian diplomat as expressing surprise that Washington chose to make the Ames case public. "Our agents work in the U.S., and American agents work in Russia," he said. "It is business as usual."

The official added that some American diplomats working for the CIA and some Russian citizens could be exposed as spies for the United States, "but we don't do

"The Americans don't do this

cast a shadow on relations with Russia? It is here that the Clinton administration gains the most points. Several Russian analysts sug-

tion might use the Ames case to cluding at least some working for embarrass Russia because of Washington's unease over Mos cow's role in lifting the siege of Sarajevo, the Bosnian capital.

Under the threat of NATO's ultimatum to bomb Serbian artillery positions besieging Sarajevo, Russia moved 400 of its troops under the United Nations flag into the area last weekend and persuaded the Serbs to withdraw. The move obviated the need for immediate NATO air strikes but left many American officials suspicious of

Moscow's motives. The Kremlin, for its part, trumpeted its role as a triumph for Mr. Yeltsin and Russian diplomacy and as a sign of Russia's re-emergence as a world power.

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"Last October my father called test?"

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Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher:

Away From Politics

• The officer who supervised policemen the night that Rodney G. King was beaten in 1991 should be fired because of his felony conviction in the case, a Los Angeles Police Department disciplinary panel has ruled. Sergeant Stacey Koon was convicted of violating Mr. King's civil rights and is serving a 30-month prison term.

Paillins Academy will be headed by a woman for the first time. The

Andover, Massachusetts, boarding school named Barbara Landis Chase to succeed Donald W. McNemar. Ms. Chase has been head mistress of Baltimore's all-girls Bryn Mawr School since 1980. Less than 24 hours after two men grabbed sacks containing more than \$1 million in gambling receipts from Mery Griffin's Casino Hotel in Atlantic City, New Jersey, the police arrested five people and charged them with planning the holdsp. All but \$6,000 of the money from the robbery was recovered. A security guard was shot.

during the robbery. · Each of the 11 defendants in the Branch Davidish number and conspiracy trial had an opportunity to leave the compound near Waco when David Koresh began preaching about a coming battle with the federal "beast" but chose to stay on, a prosecutor said in San Antonia, Texas, as closing arguments began in the six-week trial. Older people are discriminated against in getting job offers, according to a study by the American Association of Retired Persons. But it said the discrimination was less prevalent among successful companies than among less successful ones. AP. NYT, WP. Reuters

Dreams of a Rookie Woman Cop, 45, Are Ended by a Bullet

LOS ANGELES - Armed with a mother's wisdom and driven by a dream, Christy Hamilton seized the chance to become a cop at age 45. She paid with her life.

est recruits ever to graduate from the academy, was shot and killed on Tuesday by a 17-year-old who then shot his father and himself. the police said. Barely a month into her new career, Officer Hamilton became the

city's second woman officer killed

in the line of duty. The first, Officer

Officer Hamilton, one of the old-

Tina Kerbrat, was also a rookie when she was shot and killed in 1993 at age 34. Last Friday, Officer Hamilton received the Tina Kerbrut Award from her academy classmates, who

voted her the most inspirational

"I've waited 23 years for this," cer Hamilton married early and over 35, but finally, Officer Hamilton and said: 'They lifted the age Officer Hamilton started workfficer Hamilton said after receivraised a daughter and a son. She ton got her chance.

Chapter my father called test?" Officer Hamilton said after receiv- raised a daughter and a son. She ing her diploma.

She spent those years nurturing raised two stepchildren.

Until last year, the polidivorced, married a firefighter and Un til last year, the police depart-

daughter of a police detective. Offi- ment did not accept applicants



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Senate Confirms State Dept.'s No. 2 But Republicans Skewer Record of Talbott (and Clinton)

By Steven Greehnhouse New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — The Senate has confirmed Strobe Talbott 25 deputy secretary of state, but only after Republicans skewered the Chuton administration's diplomatic record as well as that of the

The nomination drew 66 votes in favor, and a surprising 31 against. Mr. Talbott is widely viewed as a likely successor to Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher, if

Mr. Christopher leaves his job. For several hours on Tuesday, Republican Senators attacked Mr. Talbott, currently the ambassador at large to the republics of the former Soviet Union, over the administration's policies toward the former Soviet bloc and over articles he wrote for Time magazine about Israel and East-West relations.

The Republicans repeatedly faulted Mr. Talbott, who is a long-time friend and Oxford roommate of President Bill Clinton, for criticizing the Reagan Administration's tough approach toward Russia. They said Mr. Talbott's current approach toward Russia was too soft on Moscow's occasionally expansive policy, toward Georgia and other former Soviet republics.

"My concerns," said Bob Dole, the Senate minority leader, "rest with Mr. Taibott's perspective on

U.S. Toreign policy matters — spe-cifically his judgment on how best to promote U.S. interests." Until last week, Mr. Dole said he was reluctantly willing to vote for

Mr. Talbott. But as speculation

grew that he would someday be

made secretary of state, the senator

concluded he had to take a harder mother article that said Israel was look. becoming a "strategic liability."

"I have decided a strong signal needs to be sent — enough promo-tions for Strobe Talbott," he said. Jesse Helms, the ranking Republican on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, also criticized the nominee for a "lack of managerial expertise" as "only one of several

serious concerns. Several Republican senators sought to embarrass the administration by focusing on criticisms that Mr. Talbott made of Israel in

Mr. Helms cited a 1990 article Mr. Talbott wrote saying that Israel's efforts to control the occupied territories "have something in common" with Iraq's invasion of Ku-WaiL

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Russians Yearning for Change But They Cannot Agree on How to Proceed

By Margaret Shapiro and Fred Hiatt

MOSCOW - They lined up for hours in the gloomy cold, stamping their boots in the black slush of Manezh Square. The patient thousands waited not for bread, as they might have two years ago, but to huy shares in an automobile factory. During two days in December, they had bet a billion ruhles on the risky new venture.

Across town, the other side of Russia's economy could be found in the dark and quiet workshops of one of Russia's largest truck makers. The workers of the Zil factory are on monthlong furloughs because the plant has been unable to survive without the giant government subsidies of the past

The two scenes reflect where Russia stands two years into its attempt to convert its economy from Soviet socialism to free-market capitalism. In recent weeks, many have concluded that the iniuative is in grave, perhaps even faial, trouble. Reformers have been pushed out of power and the gov-ernment of President Boris N. Yeltsin is now managed by ex-Soviet apparatchiks, eager to slow or reverse the course. Communist and ultranationalist forces are ascendant, riding a wave of public dis-

But, in fact, the situation in Russia is contradictory and complicated. A rudimentary market economy, crass and corrupt, has burst into life and changed the face of Russia's cities with billboards and glittery storefronts. Meanwhile, the old Soviet system of buge government subsidies hangs on. Missile factories and collective farms alike seem near collapse and still look to Moscow for rescue.

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Russia so far has avoided the "The state did not spur the people. and other disasters. Moreover, grip. many Russians have seized on their experts had said would be missing

At the same time, at least onequarter of Russians are officially impoverished, unable to afford onions with their nightly potatoes. and an even larger segment feel themselves worse off than under communism. There is an almost universal sense of exhaustion after two years, and some Russians have ovsky. begun to ask if their country may be incapable of embracing Westem-style capitalism.

for at least a generation.

There is a widespread feeling that something different must be tried. But there is little agreement

"Russia today is short of political ideas," acknowledged Yegor T. Gaidar, the architect of Russia's reforms who resigned from the government last month and believes that the solution is to go faster. "All the words have been pronounced. Life has become worse for many people. And a great disappoint-ment has manifested itself."

Mr. Gaidar, a 36-year-old economist who sometimes seems cursed by an ability to see his faitures as well as his achievements in historical perspective, noted that every vious attempt at Russian reform had begun from the top. From Peter the Great to Stalin, these topdown spurts of modernization seemed to bear fruit.

But each burst of enforced, and often brutal, industrialization was followed by collapse or stagnation, Mr. Gaidar said, in which Russia again found itself trailing the

stopped setting production quotas in early 1992, "it was a methodologically new breakthrough in Russian history," Mr. Gaidar

wrote in the newspaper Izvestia.

predicted starvation, mass unrest but on the contrary loosened its

Some critics disagree, saying that new freedom to huild businesses or Mr. Gaidar and his allies fell into spin off private farms with a gusto the old Russian pattern by forcing for personal initiative that many privatization and free markets on a suspicious population with the zeal of Peter the Great cutting off his boyars' "Oriental" beards.

The reformers moved too fast, the critics say. No wonder that half of Russians stayed away from December's parliamentary elections. while a majority of the rest voted for Communists or ultranationalists such as Vladimir V. Zhirin-

The reformers say that, on the

contrary, the government moved too slowly. That spurred inflation, crimping badly needed investment. In fact, experts agree, it was never realistic to think that Russia could leap full-blown into democracy and free-market prosperity. Reform in Russia actually faced not one, but three buge challenges. said the Harvard economist Jeffrey left by the Soviet regime, which had frittered away resources and run up buge debts. There was a vast state bureaucracy and rules that smoth-

toward military and smokestack in-Russia, under its reform government, actually made progress in the first two areas. Helped by an agreement to postpone debt payments to the West, the nation's foreign-exchange reserves grew. The ruble for the first time became a quasi-con-

ered normal impulses of supply and demand. Finally, Russia's in-

dustrial base was fatally skewed

vertible currency. An empty-shelf economy, domi-nated by barter, black-market money-trading and backdoor deals for scarce commodities, was replaced by an extraordinarily energetic, if improvised, network of wholesale and retail markets. Infla-So when Russia freed prices and tion, after shooting up to nearly 30 percent a month, dropped to percent in December.

lem, industrial restructuring, gave way here and there. Weapons factories began making vacuum cleaners or surgical scissors. After a pre-cipitous drop in 1992, production of some bousehold goods actually Even the most intractable prob-

Still, overall production plunged faster and further than during the U.S. Great Depression, as vast rusting factories across Russia shifted into lower and lower gear. Official statistics, never reliable, showed the economy contracting

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CIA official in the covert opera-

tions branch in the 1980s, quoted in a New York Times report.

["That man would have had ac-

cess to everything but a very few cases," said Mr. Jameson, a former

staff chief of CIA covert operations

["Any penetration we had of the

Soviet military, or the KGB, as a matter of course he would have known about," Mr. Jameson said.

["As a fundamental part of his

job, he could recall any document

from the files and scrutinize it."
Mr. Jameson said. "There would be

no information remotely touching

on counterintelligence that he

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against the Soviet Union.

FLAMES FOR THE FALLEN --- Relatives of Russian soldiers who died in peacetime service

observing Defender of the Motherland Day at a ceremony on Wednesday in a Moscow charch.

by 18 percent in 1992 and another 12 percent last year. Forty million out of 152 million people had reported incomes below subsistence level. For those used to living securely - if shabbily - the

Hong Kong Takes First Steps on Path Mapped by Patten

By Kevin Murphy

HONG KONG - After a engthy, often beated, debate, Hong Kong's legislature removed the first obstacle Wednesday to plans by its governor, Chris Patten. to increase democracy in the Brit- for 17 rounds from April to No-ish colony before its 1997 return to vember last year.

Despite hitter opposition from Beijing, and spirited speeches by conservative, pro-China members who sought to sidestep a vote on the issue, the Legislative Council approved the first in a series of neasures that will widen participation in future Hong Kong elections.

Mr. Patten is now expected to pash ahead Friday with the second more substantive and controversial half of a legislative program, which is more certain to emage China than to clear the 60 sear assembly without amendment.

Beijing contends that Mr. Patten's package of proposals, first-made in October 1992, violates earlier diplomatie agreements on Hong Kong's transfer to Chinese sovereignty and seek to extend 60 seat legislature that Britain's influence in the colony sen by direct election. after 1997. .

not approve, a threat that has run for elections and hold office on prompted legislators who fear detailed the Legislative Council.

The bills likely to be introduced come increased democracy to oppose measures not hiessed by

"I believe in democracy if that means finding ways to improve the organized along by by elihood of the people," said Elsie trade group lines.

Tu, 89, a British-born legislator But Mr. Patter. who has emerged as one of Mr. Patten's fiercest critics.
"I do not believe in a political

power struggle that leads the community into a state of fear and into the future," said Mrs. Tu, who led the unsuccessful effort constituencies.

to delay consideration of a hill that contained the less controversial of Mr. Patten's proposals.

Mrs. Tu and 22 others hoped to keep alive the chances that Britain and China would reopen negotiations that continued unsuccessfully

But 36 legislators, 2 majority, voted against a measure that would have postponed Wednesday's dehate and vote.

Martin Lee, leader of the United Democrats, said, "Even if Sino-British talks resume, it would not necessarily mean that the Sino-British stand-off can be resolved, or that the two sides could reach an agreement which is in the interests of Hong Kong people." Mr. Lee's United Democrats have criticized Mr. Patten for not being daring enough in his proposals.

The bill passed Wednesday drops the voting age to 18 from 21. abolishes appointment member-ship to some municipal level boards and establishes a Britishstyle format for the 20 seats in the 60 seat legislature that will be cho-

The new laws will also allow 28 After months of fierce opposi- Hong Kong residents who are on to them, Beijing has said it will members of China's parliament, tion to them, Beijing has said it will members of China's parliament, undo any political changes it does the National People's Congress, to

Friday are the most objectionable to China because they would substantially broaden the size of functional constituencies, electorates organized along professional and

But Mr. Patten will put his original proposals to the Legislative Council, measures that include filling an electoral college with popularly elected local councillors and giving all 2.7 million workers a sec-

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Deaths of at Least Two Russians

SPY: CLA Officer in a Key Position Was an Ideal Choice for the Russians

WASHINGTON - At least two Russians who were spying for the U.S. government were killed after Aldrich Hazen Ames disclosed

their identities to Russian intelligence agencies, a retired CIA officer and a congressional official said Wednesday.

Vincent Cannistraro, a career operations officer who retired from the Central Intelligence Agency in 1990, said the disclosures by Mr. Ames, a senior CIA official led directly to the killings.

The deaths were confirmed separately by a congressional official with access to intelligence information. A CIA spokesman said he could not confirm the deaths.

ficials have told Capitol Hill."

a comparable position has been Senator Dennis DeConcini. Democrat of Arizona, the chairmittee, who was briefed on the case proval to meet Russian contacts.

ous. At first blush, he certainly had accessibility to sensitive, sensitive That Mr. Ames's alleged work was able to escape detection for at least six years — from 1985 until 1991, when suspicions formed in the CIA's counterintelligence offices - constitutes a spectacular failure of the ClA's elaborate mechanisms for self-protection.

Encouraged by the legendary paranoia of a former counterintelligence chief, James Jesus Angleton, the CIA created elaborate safeguards against the kind of deception spelled out in the 39-page FBI affidavit supporting Mr. Ames's ar-

and in his home."

Mr. Ames, who was assigned to one of the agency's most important offices during the Cold War.

Spying for U.S. Linked to Suspect

But Mr. Ames, who carned

\$69,834 a year at most, also lived a government source said the leaks well beyond his salary in an Arlington (Virginia) neighborhood of doctors and lawyers — with a Jaguar out front - without attracting undue suspicion. He flew to Venezuela and Colombia without ap-

Burean of Investigation and three from the CIA, said: "It's very seri-Mr. Ames also managed to get an impressive variety of classified documents out of the agency and store them in the memory of his home computer, according to the affidavit. FBI special agents found affidavit. FBI special agents found rece, went through the agency's. Howard field documents there last October relationing program and got his first in Russia. ed to "classified CIA operations, classified CIA human assets, and identities of CIA personnel whose actual employment the CIA seeks to protect," the affidavit said.

agents who served a search warrant Mexico City from 1976 to 1983. late Monday night "found a real pack-rat type of personality, who saved a lot of stuff in his computer

rest. The agency tightly controls classified documents, routinely officials said, was the fact that some important United States espistopped cold. A striking and highly unusual string of victories by Mos-None of these safeguards caught cow in the "spy versus spy" wars threw suspicion on the CIA and, in

passed his polygraph tests, CIA of- or whether any American agents were exposed or eliminated when Moscow halted the operations. But

> "caused us real problems." Beginning in 1985, when Mr. secrets to the Russians. Ames was apparently recruited, to According to sources, Mr. Ames 1991, when he was deliberately was one of those who debriefed Mr. transferred to less sensitive work in

cessor states. Mr. Ames, who had a Top Secret clearance for his entire 31-year caoverseas assignment to Ankara in 1969, two years after completing hia undergraduate degree at ctual employment the CIA seeks oprotect," the affidavit said.

In Mr. DeConcini's words, the and was assigned to New York and

Subsequently, as the chief of the counterintelligence branch in the Soviet-East European Division in the Operations Directorate from What finally undid Mr. Ames, 1983 to 1985, Mr. Ames was responsible for directing the analysis of Soviet intelligence operations onage operations aimed at the So-viet Union in the late 1980s were would betray these operations. It was the latter assignment that put him in frequent touch with employees at the Soviet Embassy in Wash-

ington, according to the affidavit. time, on Mr. Ames.

Many of these contacts were auMicrosis wife, Maria del Rosario Cathorized, but investigators recently.

Sas Ames, a Colombian native he
discovered that "Ames scheduled" married in 1985.

numerous meetings with Soviet Embassy personnel which he either did not report at all or reported months afterward," the affidavit said. The meetings were often fol-lowed by "large deposits of cash, not explained by his known in

The affidavit stated that Mr. Ames became a paid Soviet agent in 1985, dubbed "the year of the spy" by the Reagan administration because so many Americans spying for Moscow turned up that year. Two American citizens spying for the Soviet Union - Rouald W. Pelton of the National Security Agency and Edward Lee Howard, a former CIA agent - were exposed in September 1985 by a Soviet defector, Vitali Yurchenko. John W. Walker was also arrested that year after passing U.S. Navy code

Yurchenko after the senior KGB counternarcotics, well over half of officer defected in September 1985. the United States intelligence pro- After giving some information, Mr. gram was devoted to prying secrets. Yurchenko changed his mind and from the Soviet Union and its suc- in November 1985 fled from his CIA companions at a Georgetown restaurant, returning to Moscow. At roughly the same time, Mr. Howard fled, eventually turning up

> The FBI and the CIA wondered if Mr. Howard had been tipped off. Although no officials ventured a connection Tuesday to Mr. Ames's work, the affidavit stated that Mr. Ames first deposited \$9,000 in his Virginia bank account in May of that year, the first of dozens of cash deposits he made.

Despite the importance of his work, Mr. Ames's career marked him as a plodding individual with a modest future, and thus "a perfect CIA employee to play the role of Soviet spy," according to a retired former top counterintelligence official. "They don't look for high fliers," this source said.

Also charged Tuesday was Mr. Ames's wife, Maria del Rosario Ca-

BOSNIA: Stark Realities Remain

Continued from Page 1 vague to justify defensive strikes. Even if it wanted to, Washington cannot push too hard to spread the peace because it has refused to join the 15 countries that have assigned troops to the United Nations in the former Yugoslavia, although

makes employees take lie-detector

tests, restricts their travel and shares sensitive information only

with those who "need to know."

Mr. Ames.

criticizing the Bush administration against Serhian aggression. But he quickly learned how complicated Bosnia was and had second thoughts, opposing the dispatch of American ground troops as part of

a misnamed "peacekeeping" force. Only when there is a comprehensive peace will the United States help enforce a settlement with troops, a commitment Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher re- an government identify its basic stated on Monday in a meeting with the Bosnian prime minister, lims to agree to a settlement that Haris Silajdzic. Even then the ad-

brutal battle with Congress. Thus it has been difficult - even impossible — to claim the moral high ground while maintaining a

risk-free policy. Senior officials in was too small and the source too countries with peacekeepers in Bosnia reacted with varying degrees of Irustration and bemusement when Mr. Clinton congratulated NATO, the United Nations. the Russians, "and above all the American military personnel and those from our NATO allies, whose American pilots deliver most of the conrage and skill provided the musrelief goods to Bosnia and would cles that made this policy work."

participate in any NATO air Washington's decision to stay out of the fray makes coordination Mr. Clinton came into office on the next steps difficult, a point that Malcolm Rifkind, the British for passivity and proclaiming a defense secretary, underscored moral imperative to take action when he noted, "Britain at the moment has in Bosnia over 2,500 men; Russia is to have 400, the United States has 15."

He added that those countries not contributing troops should "get their act together."

On the diplomatic front, the administration has gone into overdrive in an effort to help the Bosnidemands without forcing the Musministration knows that it faces a and morally unacceptable.

The administration is struggling with mixed results to convince Mr. Silajdzie to list his country's territorial demands.

INDIA: Bandit Queen's Grim Tale

Continued from Page 1 violent facts of Behmai. As she stepped from the Delhi Magistrate's Court that issued the release documents, she embarked on a hero's progress. A frenzied throng outside the court reached out to touch her. Policemen with cane ba-

tons beat back the crowd. Miss Devi is not the first female dacoit leader of legendary status. But she was one of the few to survive the bloodletting long enough to reach prison, and with savvy enough to promote the romance and melodrama that has been built around her.

Now, at 34, she seems poised to ride a new tide in politics. After decades in which their votes were marshaled to keep india's uppercaste rulers in power, the millions who belong to the lower castes in the traditional Hindu social structure have begun turning toward parties such as Mr. Yadav's in Uttar Pradesh that promise a challenge to the caste order.

At the bottom of the system are the untouchables, contact with whom is held to defile members of the higher castes.

caste of fishermen, close to the bottom. Born into a family of five

married, at 11, to a man 20 years

older. She told an Indian who

wrote a book about her, Mala Sen,

that she knew nothing about sex, and was terrified by ber husband. "He would best me and and eventually he hrought another woman into the house, and both of them treated me like a servant," she

told Miss Sen. Eventually, she was sold for a cow, but found her way back home. where she recalled her mother's suggestion that she kill herself. "Since you are inwanted in your husband's house and your parents' house, why don't you commit suicide by jumping into the well?" her

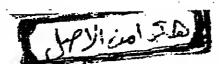
mother said. Soon afterward, Miss Devi joined a dacoit gang, by her account after she had been kidnapped by the gang and repeatedly taped. "A piece of property has no choice," she told Miss Sen.

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NICOSIA — Six people were
Miss Devi came from the Mallah killed in an earthquake in the southeastern Iranian provincee of Seistan-Baluchestan on Wednessisters and one brother, she was day. Tehran radio reported.





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Kim Young Sam Expresses Optimism

Seoul President Very Sure' North Will Accept Inspections

By David E. Sanger New York Times Service

SEOUL - In the most optimistic assessment yet of the tense standoff on the Korean Peninsula the president of South Korea, Kim Young Sam, said Wednesday that in the last few weeks he had become "very sure that in the end North Korea will accept the nuclear inspections" that the United States and its allies have demanded

Mr. Kim's upbeat view, during a conversation at the presidential mansion in Seoul, was a sharp turnaround from his tone just eight months ago. At that time, he warned the United States against being "led on" by North Korea and suggested that "time is running out" because North Korea would be able to produce plutonium by early this year in large enough quantities to produce weapons.

But now, he said, after "receiving a lot of information about the nu-clear issue," he has concluded that there is "no clear evidence of North Korea's possession of nuclear

[In Vienna, the International Atomic Energy Agency appealed to North Korea to set a firm date for inspections by next Monday, news agencies reported. Having received a promise from the North Koreans to admit UN inspectors, the atomic energy agency was waiting for visas from the North Koreans.

Mr. Kim, 66, who took office a year ago as South Korea's fust civilian president in more than three decades, talked only of the carrots he was prepared to offer his Commanist rivals in the North, He repeatedly declined to mennin the sticks, for fear of angering Pyong-yang "at a sensitive time."

Mr. Kim's comments, and those weeks, make it clear that South Korea is far less worried about what kind of nuclear weapons the North may already possess than it is about keeping up the pressure to bring its development program to a

A week ago, after bitterly resisting a resumption of inspections, the North said it would allow the UN agency to resume limited inspections - not including two suspected waste dumps. Mr. Kim seems to be betting that his best strategy is to reward Pyongyang for the first glimmerings of flexibility rather than immediately press for better

On Wednesday, for example, Mr. Kim said it would be "a wise opinion" for the United States to delay the deployment of Patriot missiles to defend the 35,000 American troops here. He was referring to testimony in Congress on Tues-day by General John Shalikashvili, the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, that the deployment would likely be held up because "we do not want to give some excuse to the North Koreans to derail a process."

a bomb. South Korean officials concede that they bare often switched from sounding bawkish to sounding dovish, usually to counterweight the prevailing mood in Washington Mr. Kim's shift from warnings to



VIETNAM SENTENCES EX-ENERGY MINISTER TO THREE YEARS — A cameraman shooting a close-up of Vu Ngoc Hai, Vietnam's former energy minister, as a judge in Hanoi sentenced him to three years in prison Wednesday for corruption and fraud.

Chinese Heap Scorn on Rights Groups

ВЕІЛІNG — China has poured scorn on the buman-rights groups Amnesty International and Asia Watch, calling their new reports on rights abuses biased and politically

motivated. Beining's counterattack apparently foreshadowed the stance that it will take in its annual humanrights battle with Washington this

spring.
. President Bill Clinton has said he will extend China's most-favored-

life in China had never been better

and continued to improve as Beij- Watch accused Beijing of adopting ing builds a modern, democratic a cynical "hostage politik" in which legal system. Asia Watch and Amnesty, it ar- be released at key moments for

gued, had ignored such progress, maximum political effect." were biased against China and resorted to confrontation in their reports criticizing Beijing for growing
repression of political dissidents
and religious believers.

Christians arrested in a crackdown
on foreign missionaries and for the
release of a group of Buddhist nuns
in Tibet inited for advocating inde-"Asia Watch always holds deep

rejudices against China a For- pendence from China. eign Ministry spokesman said.

repression is increasing, not decreasing." Known political arrests surged past 250 in 1993, it said.

Amnesty called this month for the release of several Chinese Christians arrested in a crackdown in Tibet jailed for advocating inde-

The London-based Amnesty also denounced new anti-evange-The New York-based Asia lism laws for legalizing the deten-watch issued a report Monday that it said "shows clearly that political ship outside the strict bounds of the ship outside the strict bounds of the party-controlled churches.

China said the reports failed to note its accomplishments in feed-Documenting the cases of over ing and housing 1.2 hillion people

- regarded by Beijing as funda-mental "rights of subsistence." "It is with ulterior motives, and it is irresponsible, for Asia Watch to choose this moment to publish its buman rights report, which makes

accusations against China." the spokesman said. "China enjoys a stable political situation and economic prosperity and its people are content with their life and work," he said. "The Chinese people fully enjoy all rights enshrined in the constitution and other laws. These are facts seen

In Geneva, China's envoy to the UN Human Rights Commission. Zhang Yishan, acrused Amnesty of Cold War-era thinking at a time when "the world has already en-

Aidid Scolds Media Over Predictions of **Factional Explosion**

By Keith Richburg

NAIROBI - Breaking a nearly wo-month public silence. Somamedia and other "doomsayers" on Wednesday of sowing "hysteria" for predicting that the withdrawal of U.S. combat troops from his country next month will somehow trigger off sudden explosions of fighting among Somali factions."

But even as General Aidid was scolding reporters here in Nairobi for their pessimism, United Na-tions officials reported a new explosion of factional fighting in the southern Somali port city of Kis-

George Bennett, a UN spokesman contacted by telephone in the Somali capital. Mogadishu, said the fighting in Kismayo was heavy and that "the hospitals are full."

He said that a hospital run by the charity organization Doctors Without Borders reported earlier Wednesday receiving 15 casualties, and that the Indian Army field hospital in Kismayo was treating six more seriously wounded victims.

Mr. Bennett said Indian UN peacekeepers based in Kismayo were not involved in the latest flare-up, part of a running series of skirmishes between supporters of two rival warlords. General Mohammed Said Hersi Morgan and Colonel Omar Jess. He said the Indian battalion commander in the area, and the UN political representative, were trying to reach the faction leaders to negotiate an end to the fighting.

"Unosom troops are not in-volved at all," said Mr. Bennett. using the acronym for the UN op-

eration in Somaha. "It's clan-on-clan. Unosom is keeping well back from it." He said the UN's policy was not to become involved mililia's top military man, General Mo- tarily in factional feuding, but to hammed Farrah Aidid, accused the try to persuade the combatants to

> Brenda Barton, a spokeswoman for the World Food Program, which has an office in Kismayo, said the fighting began late Tues-day and continued Wednesday morning, and at least 17 persons were believed dead and about 14 wounded. Miss Barton said the lighting had halted the uninading of a food agency ship docked at Kismayo with 850 tons of food. The agency's Somali workers helpng unload the cargo ran off with their weapons to join the fighting.

The battle appeared to have started when some of the Jess supporters of the Ogadeni clan tried to re-enter the city. Miss Barton said food agency workers in Kismayo-reported that the fighting began Tuesday afternoon on the city's outskirts and continued Wednesday in Kismayn itself, but that General Morgan's Harti-clan city, appeared to have repulsed the

General Aidid, in his morning press conference, made no direct reference to this most recent outbreak of clan fighting in Kismayo. But he did allude to the continuing tensions there by saying that Kis-mayo "is in turmoil" and "on fire." He said the problems in Kismayo, where foreign troops have been based since December 1992, demonstrated that the mere presence of UN peacekeepers was itself no guarantee of security.

"The departure of the fureign troops will have salutary rather than adverse effects on the search for peace and a negotiated political settlement in Somalia," General Aidid said. He added that the "prospect for peace in Somalia is now much better than it was last

General Aidid has been in Nairobi for most of the last two months, holed up on the fifth floor of the five-star Serena Hotel on the edge of Uhuru (Freedom) Park. He has been mostly holding closeddoor meetings with representatives of the 12 Somali political factions loosely allied against him, trying to forge a compromise with his bitterest enemies that would allow the Somalis to form a transitional government before the last U.S. troops quit the country on March 31.

Johannes Steinhoff Dies, Luftwaffe Ace Downed 176 Planes

New York Times Service Lieutenant General Johannes Steinhoff, one of the Luftwaffe's As the leader of a fighter squadron, aces of World War II and a mover be downed 176 Alfred planes and in rebuilding the postwar German was himself shot down 12 times. At military, died Monday in Bonn of complications from a heart attack injured in a new Messerschmitt jet

be had in December. He was 80. now the state of Saxony-Anhalt, he: was permanently disfigured, joined the military as a naval cadet

He was decorated with nearly as a colonel in 1952. He gained a

every medal for bravery, including reputation as an intelligent, bluntthe highest order of the Iron Cross. the end of the war he was severely e had in December. He was 80, when the landing gear collapsed on Born near Rossleben in what is his touchdown in Munich. His face

General Steinhoff kept a conin 1934 but moved to the Luftwaffe temptuous distance from the Nazi two years later. In the war, be flew hierarchy, who had him demoted to almost constantly in Russia. Africa squadron pilot. After the war he and Sicily, and finally over Germatook civilian jobs until he rejoined West Germany's reviving air force

spoken commander.

He held positions in the North tlantic Treaty Organization, and in 1966 took charge of the West German Air Force, which he built into a NATO showpiece. His success led to his appoint-

ment in 1971 as chairman of the alliance's military committee. Other NATO commanders respected him for putting the alliance's over-arching objectives above national interests, including Germany's.

After retiring in 1974. General Steinhoff became a widely read author of books on German military aviation during the war and the experiences of the German people at that time.

He also became a watercolorist

nier Aviation. Mary Woodard Lasker, 93. Aided Medical Researchers

and chairman of Germany's Dor-

Mary Woodard Lasker, 93, a philanthropist and champion of medical research, died of heart failure Monday in Greenwich, Con-

necticut. Mrs. Lasker and her husband

Albert Davis Lasker, a pioneer advertising executive who died in 1952, established the Lasker Foundation in 1942. In almost every year since 1944, it has given Albert Lasker Awards, largely for outstanding contributions to clinical and basic medical research.

Over the years, the Lasker Foundation helped shape medical history by recognizing and supporting research, and it has repeatedly singled out future winners of the No-bel Prize in Physiology or Medicine. Fifty-one Lasker winners have gone on to become Nobel lau-

De Klerk Is Hit by Stone As Crowd Drives Him Out

KIMBERLEY. South Africa — President Frederik W. de Klerk was struck by a stone on Wednesday as screaming ANC supporters drove him from a mixed-race township during a campaign swing through the Northern Cape region.

Black and mixed-race youths shouled "De Klerk go to hell!" as security officials bundled him into an armored limousine and sped away from the Postdene township outside the mining and agricultural town of Postmasburg.
Witnesses said the stone hit Mr. de Klerk below the left ear,

causing him to flinch and rub his neck, as he tried to address a handful of black supporters of his ruling National Party over the shouts of African National Congress demonstrators.

Mr. de Klerk said he was hit by "a projectile," but not hurt.

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A Better Deal for Bosnia

American officials pronounce themselves delighted by the success of NATO's ultimatum in ending the Serbian siege of Sarajevo. Lives are being saved, life is going on in a city whose name has become a metaphor for barbarism and courage. But it is early for rejoicing. Chiefly — but not only — the Serbs are still gunning down civilians elsewhere. And the wild-card effect of Russia's entry upon the Bosnian scene is only beginning to be understood.

The urgent requirement is to arrange that none of the guns that the Serbs are removing from Sarajevo will murder civilians elsewhere - that would be a monstrous act of had faith. Then, NATO must promptly apply its newly flexed power to rescue other

embattled cities and communities. NATO worries about becoming overextended. Others worry about dying. The momentum huilt up by lifting the Sarajevo

siege must be sustained.
Washington says the NATO ultimatum freed Sarajevo. Moscow says its dispatch of peacekeepers did. Both have a point, Serbs needed a threat of force to relent, but they also needed the face-saving excuse of being rescued by Russian patrons. Citizens in other besieged cities can only hope that the same

A cease-fire is welcome for humanitarian considerations. But a cease-fire spreading across Bosnia and then hardening would nip the Muslim-led Bosnian government's new military potential and consolidate for the Serbs the 72 percent of Bosnia that they currently control. This would be grossly unfair to Muslims and would give Russia a large and undeserved political victory.

The United States is right to want to help the Muslims, but it is having trouble deciding just how. Some days it seems mostly to fear that the Muslims, offered a hand, will take an arm. Something better is required.

To ease Muslim claustrophobia, the American government is promoting the difficult idea of a new Muslim-Croat state or confederation. It remains a fact that much of the territory the Muslims need in order to create an even minimally viable Bosnia must come out of that swollen 72 percent that

Serbs intend to fold into a Greater Serbia. The United States should not be working iust on the Muslims and to have them take something searcely better than the prospective cease-fire lines. It should be working on Moscow to look beyond a narrow pro-Slav policy and to deliver the Serhs to something substantially closer to a fair overall peace. - THE WASHINGTON POST.

A New Russian Spy Case

An Opportunity for Japan

wife on charges of spying for the Soviet Union and then Russia from 1984 right up to the present is bound to convey a certain impression that not all that much may have changed with the end of the Cold War. Is not spying a hostile activity? What advantage are the Russians seeking from it?

It is conceivable that an unreconstructed part of the KGB bureaucracy yet maintains the will and the way to play the old games. It is no less possible that Russia spies for the reason that other nations, including the United States, spy: to avoid being surprised by events that bear importantly on its interests. For a technologically backward place like Russia, moreover, industrial espionage obviously also has its uses.

In fact. Moscow's motives are irrelevant to the charges brought against Aldrich Ames, 52, who is accused of having become an agent of Moscow at a time when be was working in counterintelligence and who more recently worked in counter-narcotics. To project the integrity of its policy options

Japan is prudently deferring long-range

plans to build new nuclear teactors that

would add to the world's growing glut of

plutonium. In the same spirit, Tokyo might

reconsider near term plans for reprocessing

the spread of nuclear arms in Asia and

Japan hoped to turn nuclear waste into

plutonium fuel to meet its energy needs. But

it can assure energy independence for the

next half-century, and save money in the

hargain, hy relying on uranium to fuel its

power plants. Like plutonium, uranium is

readily available. Unlike plutonium, it is not

Japan deserves applause for delaying the

scheduled construction of several breeder

reactors — nuclear plants that consume ura-

nium and plutonium and produce still more

plutonium. Tokyo will also put off huilding a

second reprocessing plant, which turns waste

At the same time, however, Japan is on the

verge of activating its new Monju breeder

reactor. And it is about to break ground for a

reprocessing plant at Rokkasho. Those who

The State Department recommends that

the United States wait until at least 1995

before rejoining Unesco, the United Nations

Educational Scientific and Cultural Organi-

zatton. That makes political as well as fiscal

sense. Both Unesco and the UN system bene-

fited from the Reagan administration's deci-

sion to pull out a decade ago. A delay will give

Congress a chance to determine whether the

gross mismanagement prompting that pultout

Ronald Reagan's move won widespread

applause. Washington provided one-tourth of

the budget for Unesco's profligate Paris-

hased hureaucracy, notorious as a patronage

dumping ground. Unesco had also become

synonymous with vaporous declarations that

were hostile to Western institutions, especial-

ly the press, Delegates from Soviet bloc and

Third World tyrannies pushed for a "new

world information order" in which journalists

would become little more than cheerleaders

One result of Mr. Reagan's shock therapy

was the election in 1988 of Federico Mayor

Zaragoza of Spain as director-general. He has

cut the payroll and generally returned Unesco

has been convincingly corrected.

for established regimes.

fuel into weapons-usable ptutonium.

readily usable to build bombs.

around the world.

risks contributing to

The arrest of a 31-year CIA official and his and decision-making processes, the American government makes a strenuous effort to ferret out "moles" (spies who infiltrate and are assimilated into an intelligence service), foreign spies and recruited agents, regardless of the regime they work for. The force of the law must be brought against Mr. Ames and his wife, who are said to have sold secrets for \$1.5 million over a period of years.

Coming at a time when the bloom of easy amity is aff relations between the United States and the new Russia, the case is bound to have a certain darkening effect.

President Bill Clinton confined himself on Tuesday to saying that the case was "serious," hut others may well ask why, for instance. American foreign aid should be dispensed to a country which even in a later and supposedly more friendly incarnation, as Russia, allegedly broke the rules and bought secrets from Americans.

You cannot be so sophisticated and worldly about spying as to ignore that your pocket

worry about the creation of still more pluto-

nium would be happier if Tokyo revised its

plans, running Monju as a research reactor

usable plutonium home from Europe, reduc-

ing the risk of theft or diversion. It already

has ample stockpiles to fuel research at the

Monju reactor. By depleting its plutonium

stockpile, it might also ease Korean concerns

under which Britain and France reprocess its spent nuclear fuel, Japan's reduced need for

plutonium would make European reprocess-

ing plants even more unprofitable than they

are and might persuade Britain to reverse its

decision to start up its new THORP plant.

Japan could instead contract with the Euro-

peans to store its spent fuel and provide

nuclear age. Now it could be a hero, by

stopping the commerce in plutonium before

to its original mission as a promoter of literacy.

protector of cultural monuments and champi-

on of a freer flow of information. Yet old habits

persist. Congress would be right to look closely

before resuming \$65 million in annual dues.

Unesco are its useful literacy programs and

the appalling destruction of artistic treasures

in ethnic conflicts. One of Unesco's successes

was the rescue of the great temple of Abu

Simbel from the rising waters of Egypt's As-

wan High Dam. Unesco has since named and

recorded 200 "heritage sites." The need for

this register was confirmed when Croattan

Dubrovnik was shelled by Serbs, and more

recently when the celebrated Muslim-built

bridge at Mostar was destroyed by Croatians.

cultural conscience by speaking out against the

deliberate targeting of cherished monuments

- and then to restore as best it can what wars

tear apart. As Congress evaluates Unesco's internal reforms before resuming full pay-

ments, it might offer a modest interim payment

to help Unesco cover the costs of protecting

-- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

and restoring the world's imperiled treasures.

Unesco's role is to represent the world's

The two strongest arguments for rejoining

Japan Often sees itself as a vietim of the

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

enriched uranium.

it gets out of control.

Don't Rush Back to Unesco

Japan could then renegotiate the contracts

That would have a number of positive

and postponing Rokkasbo.

Japan could stop sl

that it plans to make nuclear arms.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

A Bosnia Test for U.S.-Russian Entente

WASHINGTON — Absent as a factor for the two bloody vears that the Bosnian war has raged, American-Russian relations have suddenly become decisive in

the Bosman endgame.

And vice versa. The U.S.-Russian partnership, in puny health in recent months, will now fatten or flounder in Bosnia. Out of the Balkans will come either a new direction for Washington and Moscow in cooperating on global problems or a slide back toward rivalry and conflict.

Diplomats abhor such stark alternatives. They will probably apply their arts to see that there are other, less drastic outcomes beyond the two that I see. But I hope they don't succeed. The Clinton administra-tion should make it clear to Boris Yeltsin's government that the Boris-Bill relationship is on the line in the promising new effort to get a peace agreement in Bosnia.

The United Nations' bombing ultimatum to the Bosnian Serbs around Sarajevo overshadowed Mr. Yeltsin's decision to get directly involved in Bosnia — the first political-military initiative he has taken beyond the former borders of the Soviet Union.

The Clinton administration must now get Mr. Yeltsin to clarify whether he has moved into the endgame to help the Bosnian Serbs consolidate their gains on the ground, or whether Russia is finally willing to join in pressuring the Serbs into reaching an agreement that the Bosnian government will not like but

can live with.
What Mr. Yeltsin did last weekend, under the pressure of the UN ultimatum to the Serbs, could cut either way. He abruptly assigned Russian peacekeeping troops their own separate battlefield role in Bospulled out their heavy artillery

By Jim Hoagland

If sustained, the Russian interposition freezes a military situation that is comfortable for the Serbs and intolerable for the Bosnian army.

It was thus a clever short-term move for Moscow. But the questions that this seemingly modest Russian intervention in the Balkans raises are far more important: Is Russia ready to return to its role as a great power? If so, how will it exercise its influence, which has been absent from the world scene since the August 1991 failed coup that led to the breakup of the Soviet

Union four months later? One of the central causes of the Cold War was Moscow's narrow, often paranoid reading of its inter-ests. Leaders shaped by World War II and Stalin's purges at home chung protectively to any remnant of pow-er or leverage. They established their "sphere of influence" and

ruthlessly policed it. The savage ethnic wars of the 1990s have been routinely attributed to the end of the Cold War, as if

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GUESS IT'S TIME TO TALK

TO THE SERBS

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and military competition somehow encouraged nationalist wars to erupt. But these wars are in fact all occurring within the former Soviet sphere of influence. It is the collapse of Soviet totalitarian rule in an inherently unstable "sphere" that has led to the outbreak of lighting from

the Balkans to Baku. Not coincidentally, the summer of 1991 was the decisive moment of the breakup of both the Soviet Union and Yugoslavia. Absorbed with going out of business, the Soviets could not or would not put a restraining hand on the Serbian leader Slobodan Milosevic and his Bosnian Serb cronies, Moscow's natural allies in this struggle. Has Mr. Yeltsin finally inter-

vened to restrain the Serbs and to begin restoring a more positive form of Russian influence on areas beyond America's global reach? Or will domestic pressures created by pro-Serbian sentiment in Russia compel him to put Serbian interests above fashioning a reasonable compromise on the ground in Bosnia?

President Yeltsin and his diplo-mats should not be allowed to fuzz the answer to that question. Their answer will contain vital clues about Russia's future and about the nature of power in the post-Cold War world.

Now is the moment to end the war in Bosnia. The United States and Russia can lead the way toward a settlement that recognizes that while the Bosnian Serbs have won a battlefield victory, the Bosnian Muslims deserve a better outcome than the current map created by "ethnic cleansing."

The world will need to keep economic sanctions on Serbia until a reasonable compromise on territo-ry is reached. Wealthy Muslim and European nations should be willing to fund Bosnia's reconstruc-tion, to show the Serbs that power now lies in economic factors more than in military force.

But none of this will happen unless Bill Chnton and Boris Yeltsin demonstrate that the world's two great powers have a common vision of what comes next in Bosnia.

that was installed by a Vietnamese

invasion force.

The wheel has turned full circle in

Mr. Rao's hands. His formula for

growth hinges on two premises. First,

security is a matter of economics

rather than of men and arms. Second,

an India that aspires to a role in ASEAN and APEC must first build

bridges with its immediate neighbors.

nomic reforms and Mr. Rao's over-

tures to India's old adversaries, Chi-

na and Pakistan. A high-powered

Chinese team was in New Delhi this

month to discuss troop reductions

Not long before that, Mr. Rao sent

a package of six peace proposals to Prime Minister Benazir Bhutto of Pa-kistan. These included a mutual

agreement not to be the first to use

nuclear weapons against the other.

Earlier, Mr. Rao had disarmed con-

cerns about India's navy by inviting Australia and the United States, the

principal critics, as well as Malaysia,

Indonesia and Singapore to a series

His diplomacy was amply rewarded when Mr. Goh remarked that as he

came to understand India better, he

saw that the country had "a legiti-

mate interest to want to have a good

navy to be able to defend its long

coastline." This is exactly New Del-

hi's case. Just two years before, Mr.

Goh had warned that in acquiring the

capability to project naval power be-yond its shores, India should "appre-ciate the security concerns of its neighbors," who feared for the secu-

rity of Southeast Asia's sea lanes and

India's old rivalry with China. The

Chinese-Indian conflict of the '60s

led to an estrangement between India

India and China are again in compe-

tinion, this time for investment cani-

tal, markets and economic partners.

Though China seems poised to emerge as Asia's dominant economic and military power, Mr. Rao's flank-

ing strategy of establishing close links

to the Asia-Pacific region may ensure that, this time, India is not isolated.

The writer, a former editor of The

Statesman in India, is now a consul-

lant to The Straits Times, Singapore.

He contributed this comment to the International Herald Tribune.

The wheel has also turned back to

of joint naval exercises.

along their border.

Hence, Mr. Singh's sweeping eco-

Next week, here in Geneva, the UN is beginning a series of meetings to review a 1980 agreement with a most unwieldy name: The Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons Which May Be Deemed to Be Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate Effects. This, like the biological and chemical weapons conventions, represents one of mankind's periodic efforts to put a cap on kind's periodic efforts to put a cap on the chemical weapons to be chemically the chemical serior. The Washington Post. the horrors of war. Unlike the chemical weapons treaty there are, regretta-bly, no mechanisms for implement-

> the added weakness of applying only to international armed conflicts.
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> Most wars today are civil wars.
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> We in the International Committee of the Red Cross have been re-viewing the convention. We beld two seminars on the immense problems caused by mines, one in January for military experts and another last year for war surgeons, mine manufacturers, legal experts and the media. We have also held sessions on the development of weapons in-

ing or enforcing its provisions. It has

To Contain

War's New

Horrors

By Cornelio Sommaraga

The writer is president of the Inter-

national Committee of the Red Cross.

GENEVA — Since Hiroshima, the presumption has been that

war can get no worse. The world has

been spared a second nuclear war, so this observation has a measure of

truth. But beneath the umbrella of

nuclear stalemate, war has grown

more terrifying in all manner of ways
in its near destruction of civiliza-

tion in several countries, in the anar-

chy that permeates so many conflicts

and, not least, in the growing use of

weapons that cause immense num-

bers of civilian casualties, often with

Next week, here in Geneva, the

the most terrible wounds.

tended to blind. The range of opinion in these meetings has been wide, and we have no pat formula for how the convention should be improved. But since we know it may be the last chance in 10 to 20 years to strengthen the convention, we believe we should point up

areas for serious discussion. The first is to give the convention more muscle to outlaw, or at least control, the use of land mines, a weapon that has become more sophisticated and harder to detect, and which goes on killing and maining

long after a war is over.

Mines are cheap — as little as \$3 each — and can turn whole swaths of

territory into deserted, no-go areas. They are made of light-weight plastic and are easy to lay. Often they are scattered like deadly seeds. Yet they explode with enough force to rip off an adult's legs or reduce a child to pulp. The UN estimates that there are 85 million to 100 million antipersonnel mines buried in the soil of 62 countries. In Cambodia, one person in 236 is an amputee. In Afghanistan and ex-Yugoslavia roads and fields are infested with mines. Twenty-three percent of all mine casualties in Afghanistan in

year, in our African operations alone, mines killed 13 Red Cross and Red Crescent relief workers and injured 11. Late last year, the U.S. government launched a campaign for a global moratorium on land-mine sales. This is an important initiative. We support it, but we would like the international

1991 and 1992 were children. Last

munity to go further and accept a world-wide ban on their use. If states cannot be persuaded to abjure the use of mines, at least they should be required to build in reliable self-neutralizing mechanisms so that mines do not go on exploding years

after hostilities cease. Not far over the horizon we foresee the development of weapons even more horrific than the land mine. They need to be included in the weapons convention.

in particular, we are concerned about blinding weapons. Using handheld laser rifles, these could blind a person up to 1 kilometer (0.6 mile) away. The beams are myisible and cannot be protected against. For the damage they inflict, there is no cure. No war injury is more feared than himdness. Many of its victims are plunged into deep depression for years. For once, perhaps, we can out-law a weapon before it hits the production line - if for no reason but self-interest. Imagine what terrorist groups or criminal gangs could do

with such weapons. Next week we must begin the hard work of strengthening the weapons convention, widening its writ, giving it enforcement teeth and, not least, increasing beyond the present 41 the number of countries that are party to it. If we are ever to rid mankind of the scourge of war, this is an important step on the way.

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nia. Determined to prevent any bombing, the Russians moved into Bosnian Serb positions as the Serbs around Sarajevo. The immediate effect was twofold: The Russian interposition provided face-saving political cover for the Serbs to accept the ultimatum. And it protected the demilitarized Serbian positions from being taken over by the resurgent Bosnian army.

India Looks East, Belatedly Taking Nehru's Advice

S INGAPORE — In a profound strategic shift, India is establishing ever closer ties to the Asia-Pacifie

economic growth zone.

A recent visit to India by Prime Minister Goh Chok Tong of Singa-pore underlined this change. The visit also helped- to exorcise Southeast Asia's fear of Indian militarism.

India bas long had its eye on the the founder of modern India, wrote half a century ago from a British prison that the "Pacific is likely to take the place of the Atlantic as a future nerve center of the world.
Though not directly a Pacific state, India will inevitably exercise an im-

portant influence there." Today's Indian prime minister, V. Narasimha Rao, asserts that he is following "the Nehru line" even as he casts out the statist policies widely associated with Nehru and India's stagnation for four decades, Mr. Rao insists that without early socialist planning, India would not have developed the world's fifth higgest economy, a pool of three million scientists and technologists, and more

than 200 million urban consumers. By pursuing a program of deregulation and market opening, Mr. Rao and his reformist finance minister. Manmohan Singh, have enabled India to make a dramatic takeoff from that plateau Inflation has fallen to 8 percent, from 20 percent a few years ago. Exports are rising at an annual rate of 20 percent. Industrial output, especially in jewelry, textiles and computer software, is increasing, Foreign equity investment of nearly \$1.3 billion since September attests to global confidence in India's future.

Another indicator may be more

By Sunanda K. Datta-Ray

important in the long run. The ability of the partly convertible rupee to bold its own against the dollar suggests that Indians at last have faith in

their own economic destiny.
The agreements Mr. Goh concluded, including deals for a \$156 million technology park in Bangalore, a \$50 million housing estate in New Delhi and a cargo complex near Bombay, draw on Indian expertise and Singapore's capital and experience. Indians expect Singaporean investment to rise rapidly, reaching some \$15 billion within a few years.

But New Delhi does not see the connection with Singapore as an end in itself. It is a link in a much bigger chain. As a result of the wheels that Mr. Rao began setting in motion when he became prime minister in June 1991, India is now regularly discussing economic cooperation with the Association of South East Asian Nations. This is only a foot in the door for India. Its aim is mem-bership in ASEAN's postministerial conference. In that grouping, foreign ministers and their equivalents from the United States, Japan, Canada, Australia, South Korea and other nations hold annual economic and political talks with their

ASEAN counterparts. New Delhi also seeks to join the ASEAN regional security forum and the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation forum. India wants institutional trade and investment links with the world of the future.
The 36 percent of Indians aged 15

to 30 give special urgency to this ing orientation toward the Pacific. Advertisements from Star TV,

the pan-Asian broadcaster based in Hong Kong, shops packed with smuggled consumer goods, and networking with about 20 million expatriates around the world, have whetted the appetite of India's youn-

values. They dismissed ASEAN as an

ger generation.

Seemingly every middle-class Indier, cousin or other relative in the United States. And it is no secret that the 800,000 Indian settlers there are better educated, and earn more, than the average American.

The five institutes of technology set up by the government at great cost, and which have developed into centers of excellence, have almost become a nursery for American industry. Young India will take its skills and talents to the West, and now also to the East, if Mother India does not provide the good life.

Mr. Goh assured his hosts that Singapore could be their "link to the Asia-Pacific." There is irony in the choice of matchmaker. Singapore is the cultural outsider in a region that Hindu civilization influenced profoundly for nearly 15 centuries. In the '60s, New Delhi rebuffed a request from Lee Kuan Yew, then ime minister of Singapore, for help in hullding up his country's armed forces, fearing that this might annoy Malaysia. Indians thought that Mr. Lee's concentration on wealth creation came at the expense of liberal

American conspiracy.
In turn, ASEAN countries were wary of India's close links with the Soviet Union and, after 1980, its support for a regime in Cambodia

America's Jobs Crisis Is Understated

N EW YORK — The U.S. gov-ernment has changed the way it determines the national une ployment rate, which has resulted in a number that is marginally higher. But the supposedly improved method does not provide anything close to an accurate picture of a devastating jobs crisis that is becoming ever more entrenched.

Legions of Americans who once felt secure in their jobs are now stunned to find themselves caught in the undertow of long-term unemployment. You do not hear much from them after that. The jobless tend to go quietly. One day they are at their work station, the next day not. When enough time passes, they are no longer even counted as unemployed.

If you take this group, which in-creasingly includes middle-class and muddle-aged men and women, and link it with the people who have been forced into part-time or temporary work, and with people who are caliing themselves self-employed but are really making little or no money, and with the underclass of inner-city Americans who have long been among the permanently unemployed, you have a problem with frightening implications.

You cannot deal effectively with public safety, health care reform and welfare reform without engaging the employment crisis.

In November 1991, when President George Bush signed a bill ex-tending jobless benefits, 1.3 million Americans were officially designated as long-term unemployed, meanBy Bob Herbert

ing that they had been out of work for six months or longer. Those benefits have been cut back, but last month the number of long-term unemployed was 1.7 million. Inevitably, official unemployment

rates are understated. The government is not concealing the real numbers; the Bureau of Labor Statistics does a remarkable job of documenting those who are working and those who are not. But the raw numbers get whittled down by the complex procedures and definitions used to arrive at the official statistics.

For example, discouraged workers — people who have given up looking for a job - are not counted as unemployed. The bureau will readily tell you how many people fall into the discouraged category, but that number will not be factored into the official unemployment rate.

And even the discouraged category is being shrunk by the bureau-cracy. Under the bureau's new rules, a discouraged worker who has not looked for a job for a year is no longer considered discouraged. That worker falls off the statistical charts. There were a lot of them. Before the change, the bureau counted 1.1 million discouraged workers. After the change, 600,000.

There are endless examples of people out of work but not counted as unemployed. Laid-off workers traditionally have been considered unemployed, although there was a time when they could reasonably

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expect their jobs to return. Now laid-off pretty much means fired. But during the survey that is used to determine the unemployment rate, laid-off workers are asked bow active they have been in looking for a job. If the answer is that they have mply been checking the want ads, they are not counted as unemployed They sure are out of work, but officially they are not unemployed.

The jobs crisis is not limited to the unemployed. Recent statistics show that college-educated men in their 40s and 50s — ordinarily considered an elite group at the peak of their earning powers - are experiencing a sharp decline in wages.

Katherine Newman, a social an-thropologist at Columbia University, was quoted in The New York Times as saving: "This was the first generation to be widely educated in college. They followed the recom-mended path, but their education has failed to insulate them." The official unemployment rate

for January was 6.7 percent. The more we focus on it, the less we understand the extent of the problem. A better indicator of prevailing conditions would be a statistic that showed the number of people who wanted a job but could not find one. That number would be astonishingly high.
Keith Brooks, director of the

New York Unemployed Committce, made the essential point: "Does our government recognize" the depth of the jobs crisis in this country? I think not." The New York Times.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1894: The Wicked Press

PARIS - It is not generally known that there is in France a society whose special mission is to combat the abuses arising from the use of tobacco. Il has just published a manifesto fulminating against the wicked press, which has arged the Prefect of Police not to heed the prayer of the society to forbid smoking on the platforms of omnibuses and tramcars. One of the leading journals, we are told, even had the audacity to demand permission for the public to smoke inside omnibuses. under the pretext of driving away bad smells. The manifesto concludes with the remark that journalists often see persons and things through the clouds emitted by their cigars.

1919: African Request

PARIS — Negroes and negroids, who number 200,000,000 and who are represented in Pans by the Pan-African Congress, which met last week, are making a legitimate call

upon the justice and humanity of the Peace Conference. They urge that the Allied and Associated Powers establish a code of laws for the international protection of the natives of Africa. similar to the proposed international Code of Labor, and that the League of Nations establish a permanent bureau charged with the special duty of overseeing the application of these laws to the political, social and economic welfare of the natives.

1944: Führer's Rage STOCKHOLM - [From our New

York edition:] Adolf Hitler, m a visit to the north Russian front, ordered a number of high officers shot in his rage at German reverses, and Colonel General Lindemann, commanding German troops in the Leningrad area, has committed suicide as a result, usually reliable sources said tonight [Feb. 23]. Reports which leaked out of Estonia said Hitler visited the front late in January, . meting out violent punishment.

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They Huff and They Puff And Then Blow Together

By E. J. Dionne Jr.

VV cans complain about politics, their grumpiness usually falls into one of two categories. Either the angry voter will assert that there are no differences between Republicans and Democrats and that it doesn't matter who is elected. Or the critic will denounce both parties for being too "extreme" and "partisan" and wonder why they cannot get together to solve common problems.

Occasionally, the same person will make both critiques simultaneously, which is not as irrational as it seems. Those who say that the parties are both too similar and too extreme are usually asserting that the public fights between them are largely contrived as both sides exaggerate their differences for shortterm gain at election time.

Once in office, the parties never be-have as differently from each other as they promised they would. Thus did George Bush run as a fiercely anti-government candidate and then preside. over a large increase in government spending as a share of the nation's economic output. Bill Clinton promised all sorts of new programs and now finds. himself cutting away at spending simply to keep the deficit below \$200 billion.

It is rare that a government docu-ment throws light on this sort of debate, but there was much enlightenment in the annual economic report of the president issued last week. The report is mostly the work of the president's Council of Economic Advisers, chaired by Laura D'Andrea Tyson.

The report demonstrates that there are real differences in the way Democrats and Republicans look at the economy and government's role in shaping it. Democrats worry more than Republicans do about growing economic mequality, which the report calls "a threat to the social fabric that has long bound Americans together." Democrats see government as fostering, not retarding, economic growth and as improving, not limiting, the average person's standard of living. Whereas the economic reports issued by Republican presidents included detailed analyses of the costs of government regulation, this one includes a section on the urgency of government-led health care reform and praises government's efforts to clean up the environment.

But anybody who thinks of Democrats as closet "socialists" ought to read all the material in here about the importance of free markets, competition, "capital formation," business investment and free trade. Offering an argument dear to the hearts of those who see a global free market as a good thing for the United States, the report explicitly questions whether freer world trade has

driven down American wages, So, yes, it matters whether you elect Democrats or Republicans, Democrats are more willing than Republicans to out floors under people's incomes and.

WASHINGTON — When Ameria health care standards. Where both sides favor "safety nets," Democrats tend to

favor bigger ones.

Democrats think government spend help more people than cuts in the top textrates that Republicans championed. Democrats think that government investment in new roads or research can help the economy at least as much as private investment in, say, new office buildings. Republicans are skeptical. But Democrats and Republicans are

operating within broadly similar world views when it comes to the ments of keeping most of the economy, and most investment decisions, in private hands. This would come as no surprise but for all

the exaggerated rhetoric about how the Democrats favor "big government" and the Republicans "small government."

The truth is that both parties are operating at the margins. The margins are important, as any American making more than \$250,000 will softee when they file their taxes this year. But the similarities are more important. No matter how ities are more important. No matter how much small government rhetoric they de-ploy, the Republicans will not abolish Social Security, Medicare, Medicaid or the defense budget, which together ac-count for most of federal spending. No matter how much they wax populist in their occasional rebukes to "big business" or "the rich," the Democrats are not proposing confiscatory taxes or a govern-ment takeover of General Motors, General Electric or IBM.

All this needs to be borne in mind during the coming health care debate. The Republicans have been at sea in that debate because their anti-government rhetoric does not match what they are already for. Through Medicare and other health programs, the government pays more than 40 percent of the na-tion's health bills. That share will grow as the population ages. By supporting Medicare, Republicans concede that government will play a large role in the health system. But few ever talk about

big government" Republicans.
Almost everyone says that the government should prohibit insurance compa-nies from arming people down for health coverage just because they have a "pre-existing" medical condition. That is a good idea, and also more "big govern-ment." Many who knock the Clinton bill praise private insurance companies for doing better recently at holding down medical costs — by using techniques they attack Mr. Clinton for proposing. So beware of all the "big government"

and "free market" patter you will be hearing in the coming months. Almost nobody in the debate is proposing a real free market in health care. And nobody is suggesting that America go the Soviet route. As the Council of Economic Advisers would tell you, that is true on almost every other political question, too.

The Washington Post.



Normally, madam, you should go to the Department of Coughs and Colds for treatment. However, your prostate examination was favorable, so we can treat you under Part B, Subsection IV . . . '

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Regarding "If Intervention Isn't to Be Decisive, Why Intervene?" (Opinion, Feb.

Mr. Krauthammer compares Bosnia

in South Vietnam in saying it is weaker

than its adversaries. But a more mean-ingful difference is this: While the South

Victnamese regime had oo will in defend itself, the Bosnians have amply demonstrated that they are capable and willing to do so against overwhelming odds.

A comparison between Bosnia and

Israel in its early days would have been

more informative. The Israelis were will-

ing to defend themselves but did not

have enough weapons. They neverthe-less held out until material help arrived.

Material help has yet in reach Bosnia.

Regarding "EU Angers Vatican on Ho-

We know that the Vatican opposes

birth control and abortion. It is amazing

to me that the Vatican believes the guar

anteed scars of growing up unwanted are more damaging than the possible scars of being wanted by same-sex par-

ents. Perhaps the oumbness produced

by thousands of years of homeless, un-

wanted and exploited children has led the Vatican to believe that such a situa-

tion is less an "aberrant deviation" than

LESUE JOHN LOHMANN.

that of same-sex parents.

osexuals" (World Briefs, Feb. 10):

Growing Up Unwanted

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19) by Charles Krauthammer:

Greece and Macedonia

Regarding the report "Greece-Macedorontier Slams Shu" (Feb. 18): As my business brings me often to both Greece and the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, or FYROM, I

closely follow developments in the rela-tions of the two countries. But I find this article's choice of nomenciature on the subject misleading. The entity denominated as "Macedonia" has been recognized by six European Union countries and the United es, and has been admitted to the United Nations as the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia. One cannot lightheartedly refer in FYROM as "Macedonia" when a Greek

Macedonia already exists, much as one does not label the United Mexican States the "United States." The four words preceding the "Mac-edonia" in FYROM's the are important

to comprehend and respect. A complex set of geographic, political and linguistic definitions must be taken into consideratioo before one can write with an air of uncootested confidence that oorthern Greece "was split off from

a broader Macedonian region during two wars early this century." Such a region was never clearly defined; what is today known as FYROM was Vardar Banovina, not "Macedoduring the two wars. The first time a "Macedonia" of any sort is mentioned outside the Greek context is after Tito's Yugoslavian melange of 1945.

T. CAREY WHITE Cognac, France.

Will Over Weaponry Optimism and Outrage

Regarding "Gerry Adams: Optimisti-cally Into the Irish Dark" (Opinion, Feb. 2) by Edna O'Brien:

The writer makes oo allusion, in her article on Gerry Adams, to the hun-dreds of British citizens killed or maimed by the Irish Republican Army, whose violence be belps to prolong. Nor does she refer to the two attempts oo the life of John Major, one of them aimed at his full cabiner, and one, ocarly successful, aimed at Margaret Thatcher when she was prime minister. The article grossly underestimates the sense of outrage in Britain on these

> RONALD GRAY. Cambridge, England.

Check Those Berets

Regarding the report "Reliving D-Day for Contrades Who Can't" (Feb. 22):

As a former paratrooper of roughly the same vintage. I read with interest the Page 1 surry about WWII airborne veterans who think that jumpiog out of a place at age 70 and up is an appropriate way to celebrate D-Day his 50 years. No comment on that but what is this stuff about their wearing marooo berets? That was British paratroop headgear, as I recall. Certainly oot American.

J. B. PETERS. Fayetteville, North Carolina.

Green Gobs and Gillooly: The Olympics, Our Way

By Anna Quindlen

N EW YORK — The In-Home All-Kid Winter Olympics began here on the second school snow day of the year. The opening ceremonies consisted of eating Honey Nut Cheerios out of the box and singing along loudly to the Royal Canadian Kilted Yaksmen anthem from the Ren and Stimpy show.

"You be Nancy," said the represen-tative of the third grade to the repre-

MEANWHILE

sentative of the kindergarten. "I'll be Tonya's bodyguard."

The kindergarten representative fled upstairs in don her purple leotard and practice throwing her arms above her head and acknowledging the cheers of a nonexistent crowd. Her opponent was benched for unsportsmanlike conduct.

Could there have been a more fortutous convergence of events than that of the Olympics in Lillehammer and the cursed American winter of 1994? The people of Norway, so snowbound yet so redolent always of good cheer, good complexioo and great sweaters, made it seem bad form for Americans in carp about storms, mud slides, earthquakes,

buried cars and icy sidewalks. Winter storm warnings existed always in the shadow of news flashes on whether Jeff Gillooly, Tonya Harding's former husband, had sold yet another video of his ex-wife playing peckaboo with the top of her clothing, a 3.0 in the artistic

impression category. More important, as school snow day gave way to school snow day, the Olym-pics provided not only an exhibition of athletic prowess, sportsmanship and garish one-piece latex actionwear, but an opportunity in play along here at home. Which is how the All-Kid Olympic team came to be participating in the uge competition on the staircase while, in the kitchen below, the team sponsor read Majesty magazine, ate chocolate chips out of the bag and prayed for

the snow to stop The luge was followed by bobsled in a box, speed skating in socks on the hardwood floor, and team hockey using Tup-perware as a puck, "Reebok," the com-petitors wrote on their foreheads with ndelible pens, which will have to be ex-

plained somehow to their grandmother.

"You be Naocy," said the representative of the lifth grade. "I'll be Tonya's bodyguard." After he was reprimanded, the team was sent outside into the actual snow, where its members complained loudly

about the cold for 15 minutes, then demanded hot chocolate. The gold medal for whining was won by the representative of the third grade, who made the sentence "No marshmallows?" stretch for nearly a full minute

with two tremolos and a conspicuous

quaver in his voice. This broke the world record for a food complaint, which was previously held by a Russian boy who

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did not like root vegetables.

It was the third grader's third medal of the day. He had taken the silver in teasing the dog and the bronze in dawding while supposedly changing from his pajamas into his clothes. He and the lifth-grade representative,

who appeared in recent months to have become the Torvill and Dean of bicker-ing by aging out of Olympic-level competition, nevertheless staged a spirited display of accusations related in taking things that belonged to the other. The contest was a draw and they will meet again at breakfast in break the tie by bickering about who makes the more annoying chewing noises.

The representative of the kindergarten, peeled down to the leotard and the flimsy skirt she oow wears for practice sessions, attempted a triple axel off the coffee table and, true to the spirit of the games, took a resounding fall. She was mollified only by false assurances that she would someday be permitted to own clothing with sequins on the bodice.

Her attempts to persuade the other competitors to join her in ice dancing were ridiculed, and she was awarded a gold medal in the cooties category.

The team then sang its anthem. "Great Green Gobs of Greasy Grimy Gopher Guis," and attempted to retire for the night without putting away the Tupperware, the cocoa mugs or

They were recalled to the arena and then left discussing the biathlon, which consists of both cross-country skiing and guns. It was agreed that this was the ideal sport. Then the sponsor of the team sent them to their rooms with the promise that if they were not good, Jeff Gillooly would be by to tuck them all in. The New York Times.

Good Losers at Least

The English are currently bedeviled by the cruel combination of a huge enthusiasm for sport coupled with an inability in vin much. We lost in Ireland [in rugby] at Twickenham on Saturday. Mike Ather-ton's brief hooeymoon has ended at Kingston, Jamaica, with the first real test of cricket against the West Indies. The [soccer] World Cup is now only of academic interest to us. No wonder eyes turned to Jayne Torvill and Christopher Dean at the Winter Olympics. Then they lost. The burden of years, we

think ungailantly, might have had some-thing to do with it. Creditably, the skaters kept a firm check on injured pride. They conveyed their feelings with the gentles of hims: "We have to leave it in others to make comments about the judging."

The Daily Telegroph (London).

BOOKS

PARAMILITARY CUL-TURE IN POST-VIETNAM

By James William Gibson. 357 pages. \$23. Hill & Wang.

Reviewed by Michiko Kakutani

WITH the involvement (and withdrawal) of American forces in Vietnam, the old ideals of movie machismo underwent a violent sea change. The old gunslinger ballads gave way to bloodier and more morally ambiguous sagas (movies like "Shane" were replaced by movies like "The Wild Bunch"), and then in the mid-1970s, the genre of the western uself seemed ready to lade away and die.

Meanwhile, however, a new brand of movie hero began to make his way to the screen: Clint Eastwood's Dirty Harry, a renegade cop willing to break all the rules; Charles Bronson's one-man vigilante team in "Death Wish" (and "Death Wish" and, of course, Sylvester Stallone's pumped-up ex-Green Beret, John Rambo.

The immense popularity of such heroes, the scholar James William Gibson argues in his new book "Warrior Dreams," both represented and galvanized the emergence of a highly energized new paramili-tary culture that offered its aficionados an escape from the social, political and economic confusions

of post-Victnam America.
"It is hardly surprising then,"
writes Gibson, "that American men - lacking confidence in the

· Carlos Teles, the concierge at the Hôtel de Crillon in Paris, is reading the French translation of "Of Mice and Men" by John Stein-

professional literature or theater



government and the economy, troubled by the changing relations between the sexes, uncertain of their identity or their future - began to dream, in fantasize about the powers and features of another kind of man who could retake and

dreams was the paramilitary war-rior. In the New War he fights the battles of Vietnam a thousand times, each time winning decisive-ly. Terrorists and drug dealers are blasted into oblivion. Illegal aliens made the United States and the hordes of nonwhites in the Third World are returned by force to their proper place. Women are revealed as dangerous temptresses who have to be mastered, avoided,

In the course of amplifying this thesis, Gibson, who teaches sociology and history at California State University in Long Beach, pelts the reader with lots of information. He notes the rise of the "technothriller" — exemplified by Tom

"Why am I reading it? Because it's a classic But generally I read things that concern daily life, like

(K. N. Cukier, IHT)

"And the hero of all these

Clancy's noisy, clattering novels — and an increase in warrior magazines like Soldier of Fortune. He documents the escalating sales of military weapons like the Uzi and the AK-47, and chronicles the growing popularity of combat schools and firing ranges.

Substantial portions of this volume are devoted to descriptions of a Soldier of Fortune convention, a course in shooting combat pistols and a war-game retreat, where men use paint-ball gums to play at killing one another.

As Gibson sees it, such warrior fantasies began to seep dangerous-ly into real life during the 1970s and 30s, as "the line between doors and wannabe's often blurred." In the 1980s, Gibson reports, right-wing extremist groups like the Order (which plotted the assassina-

tion of the radio announcer Alan

stepped-up campaign of racist vio-

witnessed the emergence of psy-

chotic killers who saw themselves as warriors, including James Oliver Huberty, who in 1984 opened fire in a McDonald's restaurant in San Ysidro, California, killing 21 and wounding 19; and Patrick Purdy, who used an AK-47 in a Stockton, California schoolyard in 1989 to gun down five Southeast Asian children and wound 29 others.

It is Gibson's contention that American warrior mythology had reverberations on a governmental level as well Ronald Reagan's Star Wars thetoric, the invasion of Grenada, covert support of the contras in Central America, Oliver North's theatries, the invasion of Panama and the Gulf war: all, Gibson sug-gests, can be viewed through the lens of America's "post-Vietnam

Although Gibson lays out his arguments in energetic, readable prose and displays a keen reportorial eye for events he bas wit nessed, his overall analysis often feels simplistic, derivative and lack-

ing in historical perspective. He fails to situate the new para military ethos of the warrior fully in relationship to America's violent history and its historical faith in the

He makes only passing references to the groundbreaking work of the historian Richard Slotkin. but at the same time takes many of his central ideas from Slotkin's monumental three-volume work on the frontier myth ("Regeneration Through Violence," "The Fatal En-vironment" and "Gunfighter Na-Berg in Colorado), began a

> In many cases, Gibson simply extrapolates Slotkin's observations to the contemporary American ie, sometimes adding small editorial asides of his own.

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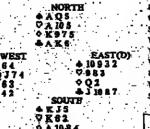
By Alan Truscott THE Cap Volume World Top Hague, the Netherlands, in January, was one of the strongest events ever played anywhere. Among those invited were the three Dutch pairs who won the world team title in Chile and two French pairs who won a different world title a year

could hardly be stronger: Jeff Meckstroth and Eric Rodwell, Bob Wolff and Bob Hamman; and David Berkowitz and Larry Cohen

Other former winners taking part included Gabriel Chagas and Marcelo Branco of Brazil, and Tony Forrester and Andy Robson of Britain. On the diagramed deal from the 1993 event the British bid the North-South hands to six no just his four hearts, and led a low trump and had plenty of company. The contract is normal but textible, and made the slam having brought

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Is Ulcer Bacteria Linked to Cancer?

By Lawrence K. Altman New York Times Service

ASHINGTON — After a decade of fierce debate and much research, the once heretical view that stomach ulcers are an infection caused by a bacterium, Helicobacter pylori, and are curable with antimicrobial drugs, bas prevailed. And now leading researchers are turning to the public health implications of H. pylori, including a link to stomach cancer.

Until this view of the cause of ulcers was endorsed this month by an independent panel of medical experts convened by the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, Maryland, the theory and benefits of antimicrobial therapy were still considered unproved and radical. The panel also urged a drastic change in standard ulcer therapy: the addition of combinations of antimicrobial drugs to the usual ulcer regimen.

Since H. pylori is found only in humans, experts now talk about the potential elimination of most ulcers in the United States, if not the world, through antimicrobials and possibly a vaccine.

"No doubt, eradication will happen eventually," said Dr. David Y. Graham, a gastroenterologist and H. pylori expert at the Veterans Administration Medical Center in Houston who is also chief of digestive diseases at Baylor College of Medicine.

Nevertheless, experts are concerned that antimicrobials may be prescribed improperly, creating drug-resistant H. pylori that would spread widely. Already such resistance has appeared

The precise chain of events that leads to stomach ulcers, and possibly cancer, is just one of many mysteries concerning H. pylori.

Studies have shown that H. pylori is common throughout the world and that the prevalence is greater in developing than in developed countries. Almost everywhere, H. pylori is more common among people in lower socioeconomic classes. But most perplexing is why so many people are infected with H. pylori yet relatively few develop ulcers and stomach cancer.

One theory likens H, pylori to the bacterium that causes tuberculosis; for unknown reasons. many people are infected with the tubercle bacillus, but the lifetime risk of developing tuberculosis is about 10 percent.

So-called stomach ulcers appear in two places. Duodenal ulcers, which develop in the first part of the small intestine, are more common than gastric ulcers, which are in the stornach. Virtually all patients with duodenal ulcers have evidence of H. pylori infection, and about 80 percent of those with gastric ulcers harbor

The most convincing evidence for a causal association between ulcers and H. pylori infection comes from significant differences in rates of recurrence among ulcer patients who did and did not receive antimicrobials.

Among ulcer patients in whom H. pylori is eliminated and who do not take a drug that may cause gastrointestinal bleeding, like ibuprofen. the recurrence rate is less than 5 percent after two years, Dr. Graham said,

For those who received standard therapy without antimicrobials — drugs to block acid production - and in whom H. pylori persisted. the recurrence rate is about 75 percent.

Another mystery is wby the incidence of stomach cancer has declined so drastically in recent decades. In the United States up to World War II, stomach cancer headed the list of cancer deaths in men and was third (behind cervix and breast) in women. Now it ranks sixth for both men and women.

Studies have found that the prevalence of H. pylori bas also sbarply declined. Among bealthy Americans younger than 30 the inci-dence is about 10 percent, but among those over 60 it approaches 60 percent. Because H. pylori is believed to persist in the stomach for a ifetime, the data suggest that infection with H. pylori in childhood has declined significantly over recent decades.

Perhaps as a result, ulcer rates, too, have declined in the United States in recent years. Many suspect that the decline in the H. pylori infections may be linked to improved sanitation and bygiene.

Another theory has it that the widespread use

of refrigerated foods bas cut down on salt and other preservatives, which have been suggested to be carcinogens. But until the evidence for H. pylori, no one could point to a possible micro-

There still is uncertainty about how H. pylori is transmitted. Because the bacterium can be found in feces, the assumption is that personto-person transmission is important. But whether H. pylori spreads through contamination of food and water, and how often, are not known. Experts are also intensifying efforts to gather stronger evidence that H. pylori plays a crucial role in causing stomach cancer.

Three studies have iodicated that those infected with H. pylori had about four times greater risk of developing stomach cancer. But other studies, which some critics say were not as sound methodologically, did not find that con-

In other studies, researchers in England and Germany have reported startling evidence in more than 15 patients that a rare form of stomacb eaneer, a lymphoma known as MALT, virtually disappears after antimicro-bial therapy for H. pylori. Dr. Graham said his team has had similar results with four patients in Houston.

H. pylori apparently promotes growth of MALT cancer cells indirectly, a team in London headed by Dr. Peter G. Isaacson has reported in The Lancet. The bacterium stimulates T cells in the immune system to produce sub-stances called cytokines, particularly one

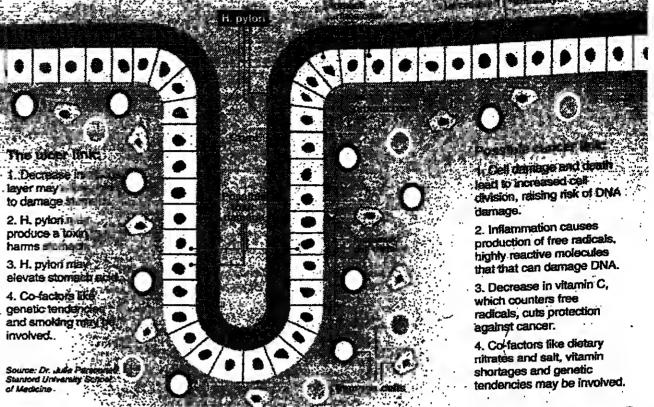
T takes years for stomach cancer to develop. Thus additional research is required to determine how soon an individual would need to take antimicrobial therapy to pre-

The proportion of stomach cancers related to H. pylori is not clear, but it could turn out to be a significant number. At most, H. pylori would account for 60 to 80 percent of stomach cancers, Dr. Penuti Sipponen of Jorvi Hospital in Esbo. Finland, told the panel.

If future studies prove a cause-and-effect connection, stomach cancer would be the first malignancy that could be prevented by treating a chronic bacterial infection that is a precursor to the tumor. Scientists have identified liver and bladder cancers that can be avoided if viral (hepatitis B) and parasitic (snail fever) infec-

Theories of a Rogue Bacterium's Role in Disease

Damage resulting from infection by the conkscrew-shaped microbe Helicobacter pylori is emerging as a key link in the mysterious chain of events that produces uicers. Scientists suspect it also helps cause stomach cancer. H. pylori turks in the mucus layer produced by the cells lining the storacti and its crypts. Underneath is the submucosa, which becomes inflamed by immune cells sulfated in the submucosa. inflamed by immune cells called in to attack H. ovlori.



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Aspirin a Day: Better Than Apple?

EW YORK - "Cheap 100-Year-Old Household Drug Found to Fight Heart Attacks, Strokes. Cancer, Etc." sounds like a too-good-to-be-

But dozens of studies involving more than a million people have hailed such a drug. It is none other than ordinary aspirin, the standby for reducing pain, fever and inflammation.

The findings of recent studies strongly suggest that an aspirin a day - or at least every other day - may be better than an apple at keeping the doctor away.

Aspirin, these studies indicate, can reduce a person's chances of suffering a heart attack or stroke and of developing cancers of the colon and other digestive organs.

It may also improve brain function in people with dementia who have suffered little strokes. ward off or reduce the severity of migraine headaches and help prevent hazardous high blood pressure in pregnant women. Also being studied are aspirin's possible roles in preventing cataracts and averting recurrences of gall-

And, in general, these benefits accrue from very low doses of the drug, known chemically as acetylsalicylic acid, derived from a substance in the bark of the willow tree that was used medicinally by the Greek physician Hippocrates in . the 5th century B. C.

But aspirin did not officially enter the medical armamentarium until the 1890s, when a chemist who worked for the Bayer Division of a German pharmaceutical company developed it partly out of a desire to relieve his father's painful, crippling arthritis. Hailed as the closest thing to a pain-relieving panacea, aspirin soon became one of the world's most widely used

drugs.
When scientists in the 1960s and 1970s finalunraveled how aspirin works chemically in the body, the drug assumed a whole new life, Aspirin was found to block the production of substances called prostaglandins. Among many other actions, prostaglandins promote the clumping of blood cells called platelets, a crucial step in the formation of blood clots that could precipitate heart attacks and strokes.

In a five-year study of 22,000 middle-aged doctors, those who took one ordinary aspirin tablet every other day suffered 40 percent fewer heart attacks than those given a look-alike dummy medication. A similar placebo-controlled study is now under way in women.

It has already been noted in a six-year study of 90,000 nurses that those who said they took one to six aspirins a week suffered 25 percent fewer heart attacks than nonaspirin users.

Aspirin bad previously been found to be effective in treating heart attacks: when given ter), it was shown to reduce deaths by 25 percent. And when taken regularly by heart attack patients, it reduced cardiovascular deaths by 23 percent and reduced the risk of a second nonfatal attack as well as nonfatal strokes by nearly 50 percent.

Based on these findings, experts have urged that a supply of aspirin be kept wherever a beart attack victim might not be able to receive immediate medical attention.

The latest excitement surrounds the observation that regular users of aspirin have reduced rates of cancers of the colon, rectum, stomach and esophagus. These cancers combined cause about 81,000 deaths a year in the United States. Colorectal cancer alone is the United States second leading cause of cancer deaths and the

leading cancer killer among nonsmokers. The most telling study to date, conducted by the American Cancer Society, involved more than 660,000 men and women whose health status has been monitored for a decade.

It suggested that as aspirin use rose, the risk of cancer death fell; those who used aspirin 16 or more times a month were about balf as likely to die of colon cancer as nonusers.

Looking at all four digestive system cancers together, cancer society researchers found a 40 percent lower death rate among men and women who used aspirin 16 or more times a month for at least one year. And the longer aspirin had been used, the lower the risk, they reported.

Aspirin may also be useful in fighting cancer. It stimulates production of two cancer-fighting components of the immune system: gamma interferon and interleukin-2. Researchers are now studying its effect as an adjunct to conven-

Despite its long history and popularity, aspirin does have side effects that can become serious in some people. It increases bleeding tendencies and in some people causes bleeding in the stomach, an effect that can often be countered by using enteric-coated aspirin.

Preventive aspirin therapy is most often rec-

ommended for men over 40 and women over 50 who have one or more major risk factors for heart disease, including smoking, a family his-tory of heart attack before 55, high blood pres-sure, unfavorable cholesterol levels, obesity or

. New York Times Edited by Will Shortz.

Jane E. Brody

Study Ties Ads to Teen Smoking

By Jane E. Brody

EW YORK - A new study has linked a sharp increase in smoking by teenage girls in the late 1960s and early 1970s to soaring sales of

widely advertised cigarettes for women. The study's authors say their findings provide the strongest evidence to date that ciga-rette advertising, despite industry assertions to the contrary, lures children into starting

The study, published this week in The Journal of the American Medical Association, showed that the sales and advertising drive for women's cigarettes in the late 1960s and early 1970s coincided with a major increase to the numbers of teenage girls who took up smoking, at the same time that smoking among boys was on the decline.

The study linked advertising campaigns for Virginia Slims, Silva Thins and Eve ciga-rettes, all of which were aimed at women, with striking increases in the start of smoking by young girls, . -

During a six-year period from 1967 to 1973, when sales of women's cigarettes sky-rocketed, there was a 110 percent increase in the rate of 12-year-old girls who started smoking, a 55 percent increase among 13year-olds, a 70 percent increase among 14year-olds, a 75 percent increase among 15year-olds, a 55 percent increase among 16industry's assertion that its marketing is not report quoting Dr. Gideon Koren of the Hos year-olds, a 55 percent increase among 16imdustry's assertion that its marketing is not report quoting Dr. Gideon Koren of the Hos year-olds, a 55 percent increase among 16imdustry's assertion that its marketing is not report quoting Dr. Gideon Koren of the Hos year-olds, a 55 percent increase among 16imdustry's assertion that its marketing is not report quoting Dr. Gideon Koren of the Hos year-olds, a 55 percent increase among 16imdustry's assertion that its marketing is not report quoting Dr. Gideon Koren of the Hos year-olds, a 55 percent increase among 16imdustry's assertion that its marketing is not report quoting Dr. Gideon Koren of the Hos year-olds, a 55 percent increase among 16imdustry's assertion that its marketing is not report quoting Dr. Gideon Koren of the Hos year-olds, a 55 percent increase among 16imdustry's assertion that its marketing is not report quoting Dr. Gideon Koren of the Hos year-olds, a 55 percent increase among 16imdustry's assertion that its marketing is not report quoting Dr. Gideon Koren of the Hos year-olds, a 55 percent increase among 16imdustry's assertion that its marketing is not report quoting Dr. Gideon Koren of the Hos year-olds, a 55 percent increase among 16imdustry's assertion that its marketing is not report quoting Dr. Gideon Koren of the Hos year-olds, a 55 percent increase among 16imdustry's assertion that its marketing is not report quoting Dr. Gideon Koren of the Hos year-olds, a 55 percent increase among 16imdustry's assertion that its marketing is not report quoting Dr. Gideon Koren of the Hos year-olds, a 55 percent increase among 16imdustry's assertion that its marketing is not report quoting Dr. Gideon Koren of the Hos year-olds are report quoting Dr. Gideon Koren of the Hos year-olds are report quoting Dr. Gideon Koren of the Hos year-olds are report quotin

year-olds and a 35 percent increase among 7-year-old girls.

From the end of World War II to 1967, there had been only a slight increase in the start of smoking by teenage girls, the authors noted. But in 1967, when sales of women's cigarettes took off, the rate of starting to ooke rose sharply among girls younger than 17, peaking in 1973 when sales of such cigarettes reached a record \$16 billion.

After 1973, when sales of women's cigarettes began to drop off, so did the rate of starting to smoke for teenage girls, the study found. During the same six-year period, the study showed, smoking miliation rates among boys from 12 through 17 declined. By 1975, the percentage of boys and girls starting to smoke had evened out.

The new study, which is believed to provide the strongest link yet between tobacco advertising and smoking behavior by teen-agers, was based on U.S. health surveys conducted among 102,626 adults who had been regular smokers at some point in their lives.

The study, directed by Dr. John P. Pierce of the University of California San Diego Cancer Center, examined when these adults took up smoking. It also showed that girls who did not go on to college were more likely than collegebound girls to start smoking at the time of the. sales peak for women's cigarettes.

The finding runs counter to the tobacco

stated intent to discourage smoking by minors has been ineffective at best, according to Nancy J. Kaufman, a nurse who wrote an editorial to the same issue of the journal. Ms. Kaufman noted that "virtually all smoking initiation occurs by the age of 18" and with the decline in adult smoking, "almost one

million new smokers, 3,000 per day, of whom most will be children and adolescents, must be recruited each year to fill the void." Smoking by teenagers declined by about one-third in the late 1970s but it bas remained almost constant in the last decade. Currently, 19 percent of high school seniors smoke and more than a million children under 18 become regular smokers each year, according to the Office of Smoking and Health, a division

of the Public Health Service. Thomas Lauria, a spokesman for the To-acco Institute, the industry's lobby group, said that "peer pressure, not advertising, is what influences smoking rates." He attributed the increase in smoking by young girls in the late 1960s to the women's liberation

movement, "the time when bra-burning women were abandoning traditional roles." ■ Smoke Found in Fetal Hair Scientists reported that they have found-evidence of cigarctic smoke to foetal hair, the first solid proof that even the offspring of non-smoking mothers can be affected by passive cigarette smoke, according to a Reuters

Tropical Forest Cycle Seems to Quicken

By Boyce Rensberger Washington Post Service

ASHINGTON - Trees and other vegetation in many of the world's tropical forests appear to be growing faster, dying sconer and being replaced still faster, according to a report by two botanists who studied forest changes since

Scientists speculate that the cause is the socalled fertilizer effect of the rising concentration of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere.

And, they say, the faster rate of "forest turnover" could be making the CO, problem still worse by releasing some of the carbon that is now locked up in slower-growing trees until they die and rot. Vegetation that grows faster tends to consume less CO, before reaching its maximum size.

Louis, who published the report in Science. The report was co-written by Alwyn H. Gentry, the garden's senior curator, who died in a plane crash in Ecuador last August. Gentry was widely regarded as perhaps the world's most knowledgeable expert on Latin American plants.

Stuart Pimm, a University of Tennessee plant biologist, said, "This is a unique study in that it links for the first time the changes in the planet's chemistry and the changes in the tropical forests.

The study was done by analyzing reports made by botanists who repeatedly visit marked plots of forest and conduct the botanical equivaient of a census. They count and measure the trees of each species and record deaths.

Because the change was seen in all parts of the tropical world, the Missouri botanists suspected possible causes that would act on a "This is a new kind of ecological problem that similar scale. These include progressively more hasn't really been assessed before," said Oliver L. extreme fluctuations in weather, adjacent desimilar scale. These include progressively more

Phillips of the Missouri Botanical Garden in St. forestation, other alterations in environmental conditions, and rising carbon dioxide levels.

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Of these, the researchers concluded CO, was the most likely factor. There is no controversy about the fact that levels are rising and that the gas stimulates growth in many plant species, though to different degrees. The climatic warming that would be expected from rising CO, concentration is not considered a factor. The computer models used to project such trends show little or no warming to tropical regions. instead, the forest-altering effect is thought to be a direct result of carbon dioxide on plants. CO, is consumed to the process of photosyn-

Peter H. Raven, director of the Missouri Botanical Garden and a vigorous campaigner against destruction of tropical forests, said the study shows that even the most remote forests are already being altered by industrial civiliza-tion thousands of miles away.

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The Billion-Year-Old Fossil NEW YORK (NYT) - The traditional view

that life began to colonize the land only about 500 million years ago bas apparently been re-futed by the discovery of fossils of microscopic life thought to be as old as 1.2 billion years.

The discovery of what may be filaments of bacteria, or blue-green algae, was made at two sites in the American Southwest. At both sites, the discoverers reported, the carbon content of rock that had once been soil indicated that there had once been "a significant cover of photosynthetic organisms."

The oldest specimens were found northeast of Phoenix, Arizona. The others, dating from 800 million years ago, were found near Death

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The prospect of life on land from 1.2 billion to at least 800,000 years ago offers significant possibilities for the evolution of early terrestrial life.

The authors of the report, published in Science, were Dr. Robert J. Horodyski, a specialist in microfossils at Tulane University in New Orleans, and Dr. L. Paul Knauth, a geologist at Arizona State University in Tempe.

S1 Million Offered for Test

NEW YORK (IHT) - The Rockefeller Foundation has announced a \$1 million prize for the development of a low-cost, rapid and easyto perform test for chlamydia and gonorthea which are important contributors to disease, infertility and infant blindness in many devel-Oping countries.

Although both diseases — of which there are an estimated 75 million new cases every year are easy and inexpensive to treat with antibiotics, they are difficult and expensive to detect, and are often asymptomatic in early stages. The condition for the prize, which will remain

open for five years or until a winner is named, is

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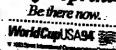
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For This Bold Start-Up, No Chips Off the Block

By John Markoff

UNNYVALE, California — According to Silicon Valley's conventional wisdom, the computer designers at Microunity Systems Engineering have it all wrong. Microunity, a highly secretive, privately held start-up company, is nearly-finished with a new chip factory that is expected to match the world's best in its ability to etch the surface of silicon wafers with ultrathin grooves that are less than a hundredth the thickness of a

Such chips, which the company plans to start shipping late this year, are likely to provide the circuity for consumer products like

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new Intel Corp., creating the hardware standard for the next its own chip factory generation of computing. And in the Valley, no less. bringing credibility to the venture is Al Matthews, Microunity's direct of technology, who in the early 1980s made his name by designing the chip-making process for Intel's 386 series of chips for

Moreover, some of the biggest names in computing and commumeations are said to be quietly investing in the effort.

But on the face of it, Microunity is making all the wrong moves. It
has avoided seeking venture capital, instead gathering funding from
private and corporate sources. Further defying the advice of most,
the company has set up its sprawling \$50 million chip-making factory right in Sunnyvale.

It is the first new chip plant built by a start-up company in Silicon Valley in five years. Most new chip companies design their products in the Valley and send the blueprints as computer files to Arizona or Texas or even Asia to be manufactured less expensively.

Everybody knows it costs too much to make chips in the Valley.

So, with Microunity displaying such flagrant misjudgment, why is it

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Privatized U.K. Industry Rebounds

By Richard W. Stevenson
New York Times Service

LONDON - Not too long ago, the idea would have been laughable: BMW, a name synonymous with German quality and indus-trial prowess, paying \$1.2 billion to acquire Rover, the struggling carmaker and a name synonymous with British chunkers and industrial decline.

But in the five and a half years since the British government privatized Rover and cut off the billions of dollars in subsidies that had sustained it for more than a decade, the company has completed a remarkable turn-around. Quality, design and efficiency have improved tremendously. Last year it was one of the few European automakers to weather a sales slump profitably.

Bayerische Motoren Werke AG, which announced last month that it was buying the bulk of Rover Group Ltd. from British Aerospace PLC, said it saw great potential to increase Rover's sales.

The transformation of Rover is just one example of how many companies, from British Airways to British Steel, were put through the crucible of Britain's aggressive privatiza tion program during the 1980s and have

emerged stronger and more nimble.

Freed from the embrace of government bureaucracy and cut off from its financial support, many of the country's biggest corpo ions have remade themselves for a world in which their survival depends not on subsidies but on satisfying customers and shareholders. They and their employees have suffered

considerable upheaval, including mass lay-offs. In the process, however, they have helped big British industries become more competitive internationally.

The question of how much credit to give the privatization program remains hotly debated here, as is nearly every aspect of former Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's legacy. But many of the companies involved have continued to expand and strengthen despite a deep recession in Europe and Britain.

been suffering losses, British Airways has and sold to Volvo AB of Sweden a year later.

By Paul Blustein

nior Japanese regulator was forced

Wechesday into restating support for Tokyo's current approach to developing next-generation televi-

On Tuesday he had suggested

Tokyo would dump its tech-

Here are some of the most prominent ex-

been among the world's most profitable for

· British Telecommunications, long a stodgy, high-cost phone company with poor service, has slashed prices and improved ser-vice to stave off intense competition. · British Steel is the only big steelmaker in

Enrope that is profitable.

• BAA, which owns and operates internaional airports in Britain, has more than doobled its profit since privatization in 1987 and is expanding its management services into the

United States and Asia.

• NFC, formerly National Freight Consortium, bought Allied Van Lines in the United States as part of an ambitious expansion. Cable & Wireless PLC slashed the work force at its beadquarters, pushed authority

Many firms survived the Thatcher crucible lean and profitable.

and responsibility out to its operating units around the world and has seen its profit rise to an estimated \$1.5 billion last year. "All these companies that were moribund

parts of the state sector are now out compet-ing around the world," Lord Young, who was an early proponent of privatization, said. It's been incredibly important for Britain." Not every privatized company has flour-ished or even survived. Moreover, analysts,

economists and executives said it would be wrong to attribute all improvement to privatization. The move away from state ownership, they said, was important only in the context of government policies that had the intention of deregulating industry, creating more competition and removing barriers to foreign trade and investment. Still, it was privatization that was the most

visible and in many ways the most far-reaching change to sweep through British industry starting in the early 1980s.

Privatization has not been uniformly suc-• When nearly all the world's airlines have cessful. Leyland Bus was privatized in 1987

nation's rapid technological pro-gress. said almost the opposite, asserting that the government recognized the

Tokyo has lost its huge lead in need to start moving toward a more HDTV—a type of television that futuristic digital HDTV system offers crystal-clear pictures—as piocetred by U.S. companies, U.S. industry has developed a technology that

nology that appears to leaping the Japanese competitioo. The He said that because such a sys-

Wednesday developments indicat-ed how bodly Japan Inc. is flour-the standard elsewhere to the

Alcimasa Egawa, director-gener- by this summer whether to contin-

dering as it seeks a way to cope.

and Telecommunications, said at a

The confusing shifts in the government's position deepened the sense of dissuray surrounding Japan's expensive effort to build a high-definition television industry, which was once the pride of the Tree day before, Mr. Egawa had reacted with outrage Tuesday to the prospect of being forced to log-based HDTV system, which write off much of their \$3 billion-plus investment in analog-based HDTV, held a news conference on Wednesday at which the heads of

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nology in favor of one developed in tion bureau in the Ministry of Posts system.

BAe Again Has Loss,

Compiled by Our Stoff From Dispenders
LONDON — British Aerospace PLC announced its third consecutive annual loss on Wednesday and said its future lay in forging

But the company ruled out, at least in the short term, the merger with General Electric Co., the British defense contracting giant, that

"There are certainly no discussions taking place with GEC about a meganeties of the businesses," said Dick Evans, the chief executive of British Aerospace, "What is inevitable is a number of horizontal links, not just with GEC but with other companies."

British Aerospace posted a pretax loss of £237 million (\$350 million) for 1993, which included a one-time charge of £308 million.

part of which covered leasing risks in its turboprop division. The company had a record loss of £1.2 billion in 1992.

Mr. Evans, the company's chief executive, shrugged off the controversy surrounding the sale of Rover Group Ltd. to Bayerische Motoren Werke AG for £800 million.

The sale improved British Aerospace's cash flow and, along with a charge taken to cover leasing risks of turboprop aircraft, stemmed pressure for an immediate deal in the unprofitable regional aircraft

"Both of these are very well positioned for entry into joint

Plans for a regional jet venture with the Taiwan Aerospace Corp. remain stalled, but the door is still open for talks, he said.

Sales rose to £10.1 billion in 1993 from £9.4 billion in 1992.

Will Seek Alliances

alliances across its defense and aircraft sectors.

it had been exploring last year.

ventures," Mr. Evans said.

world, the ministry would review

Japan's electronics giants, which

By Carl Gewirtz

International Herald Tribune

business of commercial banks,

lending money, may be on the wane, but the institutions are trying

to cope by moving into new areas, a report by the Bank for Internation-

al Settlements said Wednesday.

The Basel-based institution's

quarterly analysis of international

banking and financial-market de-

velopments showed net interna-tional bank lending in the third quarter last year slumped to \$5 billion, the lowest quarterly level in

more than two years. Overall, lend-

may be premature at this stage to conclude that a secular decline is taking place in the overall role of commercial banks in world fi-

Nevertheless, the BIS said, "it

ing has been slack since 1991.

PARIS - The traditional core

Last year, after 5150 million in losses, Volvo completed the closure of nearly all the company's operations.

Jaguar, the carmaker privatized in 1984 and acquired by Ford Motor Co. five years later, continues to lose money.

"Nationalized companies were insulated from the markets," Keuh Bradley, director of the Business Performance Group at the London School of Economics, said.

At Rover, employment fell to 42,300 in 1988 from 157,000 in 1980, a drop of 73 percent, as the company was prepared for private ownership. It now stands at 33,000. But quality and efficiency were improving dramaocally, largely because of a partnership with Honda Motor Co. of Japan.

Honda, which owns 20 percent of Rover's carmaking operations, was clearly rankled when BMW moved it aside to acquire control. As a result, Honda said this week that it would cut its ties to Rover.

In addition to cutting costs, most privatized companies have remade their corporate cultures along less bureaucratic and more entreprenential lines.

At British Steel, most of the plant closings and work-force reductions took place before privatization. The move into the private sector, ending the need for consultation with the government on big decisions, let the management move more quickly.

The process has also forced companies to pay far more attenuon than before to their customers. British Telecom, which had become infamous for its uncaring artifude toward consumers, quickly changed its stripes at the time of privatization.

Responding to widespread complaints that there were not enough pay phones available and that many were not working, the compaoy added 45 percent more of them and increased the proportion of those in working order to 95 percent last year, from 77 percent in the early 1980s.

Faced with competition for the first time from other providers of residential and business phone service, the company reduced rates by 27 percent from 1984 to 1993, according to government figures.

Il top companies appeared to say everything had been put right by

Tadabiro Sekimoto, chairman of

NEC Corp. and the Electronics Io-

dustries Association of Japan, tri-

implantly announced that Mr.

Egawa had visited him at 9 A.M. at

NEC headquarters to explain the

"misunderstandings" that had aris-

eo concerning the ministry's

■ Broadcasts to Continue

century," Agence-France Presse re-ported from Tokyo.

The report said that international banks were diversifying their sharply, reflecting repayments of sources of revenue "by expanding foreign currency loans, especially

detwriting and trading of securities, fund management and the offering of new services involving
derivative products."

It said this trend "has been reinforced in recent periods by the volatility of interest rates and ex-

change rates, which has led to greater demand on the part of the nonbank sector for bedging or investment services."

Although the foreign methods activity was associated with the turnooil in the foreign-exchange market, the report said, "the upheaval in European curren-

Indeed, the data suggest that, had it not been for last summer's in the gross and net cross-border positions of banks in Europe."

The report said there were siz-

fueled a dramatic \$183 billion increase in interbank lending — net lending might have contracted.

Loans made by banks in the 18 lion). Spain (\$10.6 billion). Denmajor industrialized countries to the so-called outside area contracted by \$8.2 billion in the third quarter, led by a \$5.4 billion decline in the first primarily reflected foreign banks purchases.

business with members of the Or- of those currencies.

noninterest income through the un- in France, Italy and Sweden

As Lending Slows, Banks Evolve

Mr. Egawa's second statement.

Sony Set to Sell **After Troubles** At Box Office

By Lawrence Malkin nal Herald Tribune

NEW YORK — Sony Corp., stung by a loss of more than \$100 million from Arnold Schwarzeneg ger's latest epic, is reportedly ready to bail out of its Hollywood investments and has hired an investment banker to sell part or all of its movie studios.

Neither Sony nor the Wall Street firm of Furman Seiz Inc. would comment Wednesday on a detailed report of the Japanese company's troubles in movieland in the current issue of The New Yorker magazine by reporter James B. Stewart. But entertainment industry analysts said they would not be surprised by the move, since Japan's two major Hollywood investors, Sony and Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., have been rumored to be trying to cut their losses.

"It's not in their culture. They don't know how to run it, and they're trying to get out," an official at a major competitor said.

During the takcover boom of the 1980s, Matsushita bought MCA Inc. and its Universal Studio, and Sony bought Columbia and Tri-Star. The purchases raised concern about a Japanese takeover of American culture, but mostly it has been Hollywood that has taken Japan to the cleaners.

The New Yorker reported that no Japanese representative was present when Columbia approved what turned out to be the Schwarzenegger megaflop, "Last Action The movie ended up losing about \$126 million.

"At Columbia, the Japanese let the lunaties take over the asylum," said Jessica Reif, an entertainment analysi at Oppenheimer & Co. "And at Universal, they have one man representing them there, but he's in an office across the ball. I don't know what he does. This would be a good time for

the Japanese to get out. The Paramount deal shows that studios can command a very high price, and there are a lot of people out there who want to buy them." Paramount Communications

Inc. recently was sold to Viacom Inc. for \$9.8 billion after an exeruciating bidding war with QVC Network Inc., a home shopping net-

work. Among those interested in the movie studio market could be the The association said that the country's "Hi-Vision" HDTV broadcasts, which were launched broadcast octworks, which will by Japan Broadcasting Corp. in 1989, would continue into the 21st again be able to make and syndicate their own television programs in 1996; the cable-TV mogul John Malone of Tele-Communications

Inc., and Barry Diller, the ambitious former Fox studio chief who led the losing team in the bidding

war against Paramount.
Michael Schulhof has been left virtually in command of Sony's U.S. movie properties as chairman of Sony Corp. of America since its founder, Akio Morita, was disabled by a stroke, Mr. Schulhof said re-cently that Sony would consider forming partnerships with outside investors or selling stakes in its mooon picture investments.

The New Yorker said Mr. Schulhof was asking \$3.4 billion for a 25 percent investment in Sony's motion picture division, which would value it at \$12 billion. Analysts called that a high price for a trou-bled studio — Sony only has to sell all of Columbia and Tri-Star for S3.4 million to recoup its original investment.

Sony bought the company from Coca-Cola Co. in 1989 and then spent hundreds of millions to lure production talent from other studios. Its record has been mixed at best. Sony Music bas been hurt by the child-molestation charges against Michael Jackson, with whom it has a \$50 million contract. and the recession in Japan has cut profit at its parent company.

The Sony news does not signal a general retreat by Japanese inves-tors from the tropby properties they amassed in the United States during the 1980s, although many are having to settle for much lower returns then they expected.

Mitsubushi Properties bought Rockefeller Center in Manhattan for about \$200 a square foot at what turned out to be the top of the market. At that price, said Darcy Stacom of Cushman & Wakefield, brokers for the real estate complex. the owners would have to continue to rent out office space at an average of \$40 a square foot to make a 10 percent profit.

Many leases came up for renewal as the New York real estate market collapsed in the recession.

Doubt Cited On German Rebound

BERLIN - The German Insti-tute for Economic Research predicted Wednesday that the coun try's gross domestic product would contract further in the first quarter and said it doubted there would be much of a rebound in 1994. "It is improbable that the econo

my will only stagnate during the course of the year," said the insti-tute, known as DIW, rejecting forecasts for flat to modest growth of about 1 percent in 1994. The Berlin-based institute.

known for its pessimistic ontlooks, said tax increases and federal budget cuts would lead to a "massive withdrawal effect" in private consumption in the first quarter. Restrictive monetary policies

will also thwart any recovery. DIW

Whether the downturn will be limited to the first quarter is uncerlain." it said.
DIW said prolonged weakness

was a more likely scenario because wage increases achieved for 1994 were below the inflation rate of nearly 4 percent.
This will lead to an "unavoidable

collapse in private consumption' during 1994, the insultate said. "Another main reason there will ganizatioo of Petroleum Exporting
Computes.

BIS monitors international not be a quick recovery is the rebanking markets and sets guidestrictive monetary policies in Europe," it said.

Speculating, Investing or Gambling?

CHICAGO — The thin line be-tween gambling and investing got thinner Wednesday when the Chi-cago Board Options Exchange said it would offer a way to speculate on Saming combanies.

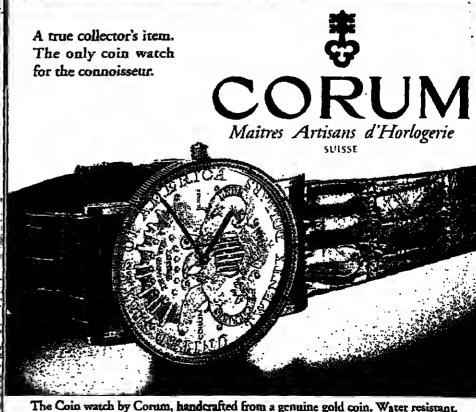
Starting Monday, the board will offer options on an index of 15 gaming stocks, allowing investors to speculate on the stocks without actually buying or seiling them.

Index options allow investors to trade in a particular market or industry group without having to deal in all the stocks individually. Exchange officials denied that

they were offering an opportunity to gamble on gambling stocks. With opoons, individuals and

fund managers can "hedge" or pro-tect themselves from risks of holdings in the gaming sector, Alger Chapman, chairman of the exchange, said, or they can diversify.

But authorities agreed that indi-vidual speculators would be the biggest initial users. Those players account for the bulk of trading in a family of other specialized index opoons the exchange has launched in the last 16 mooths to attract



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Fed Sends Chill **Over Wall Street**

one-day rally, as interest rates prices he said. turned up and concern spread that they would rise further.

Telephone, household product, electric utility, chemical and drug stocks were among the session's biggest decliners.

The Dow Jones industrial aver-

N.Y. Stocks

age fell 19.98 points to 3.891.68, after dipping as low as 3.882.96 during the trading session. Losers edged gainers by a ratio of 5-10-4 oo the New York Stock Exchange. while volume advanced to nearly 310 million shares from 270.65 mil-

tion Tuesday. The market slid after Federal Reserve Board Governor Lawrence Lindsey said the Fed would raise tates again if either inflation or expectations of inflation picked up. On Tuesday. Fed Chairman Alan Greenspan told Congress that short-term rates were more likely to

"The signal from the Fed is that short rates are going up and boods are going down in price." said Michael Metz, chief market strategist aı Oppenheimer & Co.

As long-term interest rates move to 7 percent, "that's not a real nega-tive for the economy, but it could

cause a cessation of funds into mu-NEW YORK - U.S. stocks tual funds," prompting a 15 perslumped on Wednesday, ending a cent to 20 percent collapse in stock The Dow

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in Lower Saxony.

Partly in reaction to questions about the direction of Fed policy. U.S. Treasury hand prices slumped and yields rose as the government sold \$17 billion of two-year notes. On Thursday the government plans to sell \$11 billion of five-year notes.

The yield on the benchmark 30year Treasury bond rose to 6.64 percent from 6.60 percent and from an early low of 6.59 percent on Wednesday.

Bond yields have risen more than one-third of a percentage point since the Fed raised rates less than three weeks ago.

Among the market's better performers. Derre & Co. rose for a second straight day, climbing Wednesday by 21s to 84%, as an S.G. Warburg analyst raised his rating on hetter-than-expected Among the market's better per-S.G. Warburg analysi raised his rating on hetter-iban-expected first-quarter earnings.

Hershey Foods Corp. fell 1% to 51% after the chocolate maker's rating was lowered to "hold" from "huy" by Janney Mooigomery

Dell Computer Corp. rose 14s to 24% for a second day after the company added five Intel 486based ootebook computers to its

Outlook for Rate Rise Pushes Dollar to Gains

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK - The dollar rose Wednesday, gaining strength from an outlook for rising interest rates and rumors that the United States and Japan favored a drop in the

The dollar eoded in New York at 1.7288 Deutsche marks, up from 1.7236 DM at the Wedoesday

Foreign Exchange

close, and at 105,705 ven, up from 105.545. Reports circulated that the United States and Japan had agreed on a level of 110 yen for the Jollar, but this was officially de-

The dollar also drew strength from a statement by Lawrence Lindsey, a Federal Reserve System governor, that the central bank would be inclined to raise interest rates if inflation accelerated or if there were expectations for price

increases. The dollar also rose to 1.4533 Swiss francs from 1.4495 and to 5.8718 French francs from 5.8583. The pound weakened to \$1.4785 from \$1.4790.

Traders were keeping an eye on the meeting of finance officials

alized countries scheduled for Sa-urday, Finance Minister Hirohisa Fuju of Japan has said his country would ask the G-7 to help stabilize the dollar-yen exchange rate at the meeting. The question for traders and jovestors was whether the G-7

ton in September, Treasury Secre-tary Lloyd Benisen said G-7 officials were cootent with the dollar's level against major currencies. It was trading around 106 yea when

he spoke then. Overall, dealers said the dollar market remained bullish because of expectations short-term U.S. interest rates would be raised. This view was bolstered by Mr. Lindsey's

bank was not wedded to any one inflation gauge in formulating monetary policy. The Fed chairman, Alan Greenspan, on Tuesday told Congress the Fed would closely watch gold. Mr. Lindsey said gold was one of several measures of inflation. (AFX, Bloomberg. (AFX, Bloomberg, Reuters, Knight-Ridder)

leaders would comply, and at what rate the yen might settle if they do. At their last meeting in Washing-

Mr. Lindsey also said the central

German Union Raises Stakes With Wave of Walkouts cluded the luxury carmakers Mercedes-Benz. AG and Bayerische Motoren Werke AG. Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches FRANKFURT - IG Metall, Germany's

largest union, staged a new wave of work stop-Walkouts planned for Thursday will concentrate on North Rhine-Westphalia and Hesse, the union said. Regional union leaders in pages in Western Germany on Wednesday ahead of next week's vote on full-blown strikes Frankfurt said they expected 40,000 workers to Some 130,000 workers followed the union's take part in various demonstrations and work call to lay down tools for several hours, most of

IG Metall members in the northern German

state of Lower Saxony will vote next week on whether to strike. With the strikes, expected to start March 7, the union wants to protest employers' demands for lower holiday boruses and longer working hours.

IG Metall is demanding pay increases and job guarantees for the 3.6 million people em-

ployed in the engineering sector.

(Bloomberg, AFP)

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Philip Morris Raises Dividend 6.2%

NEW YORK (AP) — Philip Morris Cos. raised its regular quarterly dividend by 6.2 percent despite a 37.4 percent decline in earnings last The food and tobacco conglomerate said its new quarterly payout

would be 69 cents a share, up from 65 cents.

Last month, Philip Morris reported its earnings for 1993 fell to \$3.1

Last month, Philip Morris reported its earnings for 1993 fell to \$3.1 charge and the impact of an industrywide tobacco price war that reduced its domestic tobacco profits. The company said Wednesday that the tobacco market was improving.

Rockwell Chairman Sees Strong Year NEW YORK (Reuters) — Donald Beall, the chairman of Rockwell International Corp., said 1994 was off to a "terrific start" and the outlook

Mr. Beall said the company was seeing continued strong markets in North America in factory automation, telecommunications and heavy vehicles. He said the company also saw some improvements in South America and some European markets.

But he warned that U.S. defense cutbacks were not over. "We will no see the bottom of it for another year or two."

U S West Eyes Britain for Expansion

LONDON (Bloomberg) — U S West International, the overseas business arm of U S West Inc., hopes to offer video-on-demand, video games and home shopping via cable television in Britain next year, its president, Richard J. Callahan said Wednesday.

"The U.K. is our template," Mr. Callahan said, citing it as the

European leader in deregulation and experimentation. "What we develop in the U.K. is what we want to export."

U.S. West already has about 240,000 cable television and 15,000 telephone customers, Mr. Callahan said.

Chevrolet Revives Impala Sedan

DETROIT (Bloomberg) — General Motors Corp.'s Chevrolet division revived the Impala model name Wednesday after 25 years, producing the

revived the Impala model name Wednesday after 25 years, producing the Impala SS, a large sedan that rides close to the ground.

The company plans to build about 5,000 of the sedans, which were inspired by a souped-up Chevrolet Caprice noticed by Chevrolet's chief designer. The Impala, priced at \$22,495, is powered by a 260-horsepower, 5.7-fiter V8 Corvette engine.

Black is the only available color, and the car includes an alarm system, leather seats and an AM-FM stereo.

Hanson Sets IPO for Beazer Homes

LONDON (AFX) - Hanson Industries North America, part of Hanson PLC, said Wednesday it was offering 6 million common shares in Bezzer. Homes USA Inc. at \$17.50 a share through an initial public

It also said it was placing \$115 million of its 9 percent senior notes due in 2004 and selling certain of its Hawaiian property assets to Schuler

The company said it expected to raise \$232 million from the transactions. The new shares represent 66 percent of the common shares outstanding of Beazet. Hanson will retain the remainder.

Hewlett-Packard Buys Into Taligent

CUPERTINO, California (Bloomberg) — Hewlett-Packard Co. ap-pointed a senior executive to the board of software developer Taligent Inc. after gaining regulatory approval of its purchase of a 15 percent stake

Hewlett-Packard said Michael C. Leavell, vice president and general manager of its Solutions Integration Group, would be its representative on an expanded six-member Taligent board.

Taligent was founded two years ago by Apple Computer Inc. and International Business Machines Corp. The purchase Hewlett-Packard reduced Apple's and IBM's stakes in the company to 42.5 percent each.

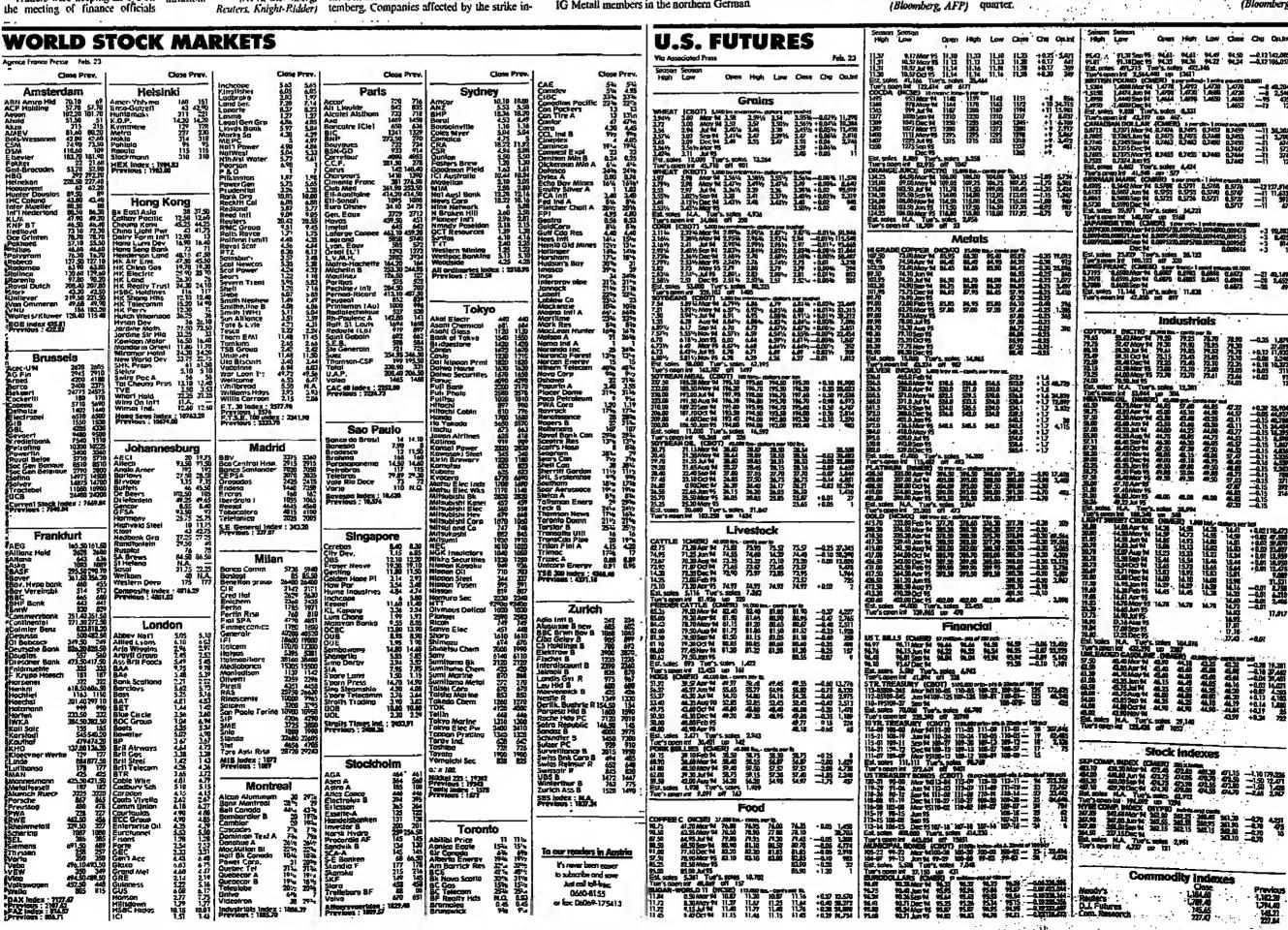
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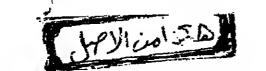
R.H. Macy & Co. in a surprise move intended to speed the retailers emergency from Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection, appointed former Secretary of State Cyrus Vance to mediate negotiations on a reorganiza-

Chrysler Corp. paid bonuses matching last year's salary to its top 200 executives for meeting goals that produced a profit of \$3.8 billion in 1993. Another 100 executives just below the top level received bonuses of 75 percent to 85 percent of their annual pay.

[AP]

Spectrum Information Technologies Inc. reported a record \$12.1 million loss for the third quarter of its financial year, which included charges for shutting down its second-largest unit, Data One, and anticipating the cost of settling a shareholder suit. The company \$387,000 in the 1992 5.00





Crédit Lyonnais Strikes Back at **Swiss Court**

By Jacques Neher.

In Paris, the bank's investment certificates jumped 2.3 percent, to PARIS - Credit Lyonnais took 783 French francs, on a report in the an aggressive shot Wednesday at a Swiss court to defend its former French daily Le Figaro that Credit Lyonnais planned to sell off at least chairman in a criminal bankruptcy 20 billion francs (\$3.4 billion) of its 55 billion-franc investment portfolio

over the next two years.

less" than 20 billion francs.

. A spokeswoman confirmed that

the bank would begin liquidating shares but said that the actual

amount "could be more or could be

The measure, analysts said, was the first major move by Jean Peyre-levade, who replaced Mr. Haberer in

November, to reverse the strategy

launched by his predecessor. Mr. Haberer had followed the German

model of universal banks, trying to

But it has been a costly plan,

particularly when the bank has suf-

fered from soured loans to reces-

sion-hit businesses and a collapse

in the Paris real estate market in

The bank has been losing about 6

percent a year on the portfolio, adding more than 3 billion francs

to its operating costs.

Credit Lyonnais, which lost 1.8

billion francs in 1992, next month is expected to report a 1993 loss of as much as 5 billion francs.

Analysis said they expected the bank would still be saddled with its

20 percent stake in the state-owned

steelmaker Usinor-Sacilor SA

which the government induced it to

which it is heavily involved.

build significant minority stakes in French industrial companies.

At the same time, the troubled bank plans to unwind that same executive's costly investment strategy by selling several billion dollars of portfolio holdings in a bid analysts say is aimed at restoring its eroded capital base.

Crédit Lyonnais lawyers filed a petition with the Geneva court investigating the Sasca SA bankruptcy case. AFP-Extel News reported, alleging that Judge Jean-Louis Crochet had shown "personal animosity" toward the bank's former head. Jean-Yves Haberer, and its current managing director, Fran-

çois Gille. The investigating judge last week charged Mr. Haberer and Mr. Gille with "fraudulent" complicity in the October 1992 collapse of Sasea; the company involved in the takeover of the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Inc.

Crèdit Lyounais also challenged a financial expert in the case, saying be was a partner in "the lawyers' practice which defends Sasea former Chairman Florio Fiorini." Mr. Fiorini is in a Swiss jail on

suspicion of fraud in the case. The bank also asked for the right. to bring an independent action for damages, a right previously refused by Judge Crochet.

Devaluation Shakes Africa French Action Causes Pain in Ex-Colonies

By Kenneth B. Noble New York Times Service

DAKAR, Senegal - A wave of price increases, labor disputes, onstrations and violence has spread across West Africa in recent weeks, prompted by France's decision to devalue the currency used by tens of millions of people in more than a dozen of us former African colonies.

Nearly a month after the value of the African franc was suddenly cut in ball, people are trying to adapt to painful price increases for nearly everything they eat and drink.

Prices for pharmaceutical products have soared. The cost of drugs for malaria, the conti-nent's higgest killer, has nearly doubled in some places.

The suppliers are suffering. too. Serdou Wadago, an Ivorian pharmacy clerk, said a recent effort to impose price controls on some essential drugs bad made things even worse.

Governments are imposing wage freezes and layoffs. Labor unions are retaliating with wildcat strikes that have affected mail delivery, telephones, water and electricity.

Petroleum workers in Port-Genni, the oil center of Gabon, have called an indefinite general strike until their salaries are at least doubled. In response, the government Tuesday imposed a national "state of alert.

|Soldiers ransacked and burned a popular opposition radio station and were patrolling Gabon's capital, Libreville, in armored cars on Tuesday, and hundreds of citizens went into

It also took a 250 million kronor

In 1992, SKF took a charge of

1.1 billion kronor against fourth-

quarter results, bringing the loss for the period to 1.4 billion kronor.

Sales of fixed assets gave a

Sales in 1993 rose to 29.2 billion

kronor from 26.6 billion the year

before, but adjusted for the sale of

its CTT Tools group and the kro-

na's deprecation, sales decreased 4

fourth-quarter, one-time gain last

year of 160 million kronor.

one-time charge against 1993 prof-

its for restructuring costs and said

the streets looting and burning. Reuters reported.]
France decided to devalue the

currency after years of pressure from international financial institutions and Western countries Asian products. to end subsidies to its former African colonies that have cost France \$2 billion to \$3 billion a

The consequences, however, are expected to reach far beyond the economy.

"The only thing we can be sure of is that there's going to be a lot more turnoil in coming weeks, and I wouldn't be surprised that a few governments are going to topple because of this," a Western banker with long experience

Since 1948, France had guaranteed an exchange rate of one French franc to 50 African francs, making the latter one of Africa's few readily convertible

But the African franc's value was slashed in mid-January to 100 to the franc, sending shock waves through Senegal. Comoros, Burkina Faso, Equatorial Guinea, Ivory Coast, Chad, Benin, Ceptral African Republic, Congo, Gabon, Niger, Togo.

Cameroon and Mali. Ultimately, the most significant change may be what many analysts see as the end to the exceptionally cozy, complex and sometimes contradictory relationship that the nations once known as French Africa have maintained with their former co-

Ionial ruler. Overall, manufacturing in these West African countries is minuscule, although many have a strong agricultural base. Their maio exports face tough compe-tition from South American and

Bananas from the Dominican Republic, for example, arrive in Europe at nearly half the cost of those from the tvory Coast, despite the longer trip. France's enduring ties with the

African continent can also be seen in the number of French people living in the former colonies - about twice as many as there were at the time of independence.

They generally live well, while back in France, the unemployment rate is almost 12 percent. Their numbers are shrinking however, and are expected to diminish further.

As always, there is another side to the story. Until recent years, because of

the discipline imposed on their governments by France, the franc zone generally benefited from lower inflation and steadier growth than the rest of Africa.

The arrangement also allowed rich Africans and some senior civil servants to afford luxuries. But those a bit further down the economic scale have not fared well. Most franc-zone countries are among the world's poorest

France's enduring influence in Africa also has virtually guaranteed it a dezen or so sympathetic partners in the United Nations. helping to justify its permanent seat on the Security Council.

for numerical targets on trade with Japan set a dangerous precedent because they would benefit only merican companies.

global agreement is signed in Marra-kesh, Morrocco, on April 15.

Shipbuilder Denies Any Cash Shortage

transfer payments in the Bremer Vulkan group to

its subsidiaries had been cheeked regularly by

In a separate report, the weekly Wirtschafts-

woche said last week that the company's diversifi-cation strategy had led to a capital crunch.

"These accusations go lar beyond what we would call acceptable." Mr. Hennemann said. "We

were particularly hurt by the linancing allega-

tions." He said the company was on a solid finan-cial footing and added that 25 percent of the

balance-sheet total and all its fixed-asset invest-

ment was covered by equity capital, which he put

at 732 million Deutsche marks (\$423 million). The

group has more liquidity than short-term debt, he

While conceding that he could not rule out a loss of nearly 100 million DM for 1993, Mr. Henne-

mann offered an upbeat outlook for 1995.

independent monitors.

U.S. Tiff With Japan Has Europe On Edge

By Tom Buerkle
International Herald Tribune
BRUSSELS — European offirials are becoming worried that the trade dispute between the United States and Japan could chill the cli-mate for global commerce only months after the successful end of

the Uruguay Round of GATT talks. The United States has been rebuffed in recent days in its efforts to enlist European support to pry open Japan's markets, meaning it might impose tough sanctions on its own —a slap at the spirit of the recently concluded talks under the General Agreement on Tariffs and

"Having this major conflict right after that sours the atmosphere a tittle bit," one senior Uniguay Round negotiator said Wednesday,

The United States already has begun drawing up a list of sanc-tions over Motorola Inc.'s failure to gain a significant share of Japan's

market for cellular telephones. But the threat of wider retaliation loomed after Senator Max S. Baucus, a Montana Democrat who heads the Senate Finance Commit-tee's trade panel, introduced legislation Tuesday to revive the so-called Super 301 trade law, which sets a timetable for sanctions on

countries that do not open their

markets to American goods. Other countries have long resented Super 301 as a symbol of America's inclination to bypass world trading rules and use its economic clout to wrest advantages. For many countries, especially in Europe, the main achievement of the Uruguay Round was its provision doing away with unilateral trade sanctions by establishing a powerful World Trade Organization to

settle disputes, "We would deplore" the revival of Super 301. Sir Leon Brittan, the European Union's trade commissioner, has said.

EU officials say U.S. demands

They say the United States risks a acklash from its trading partners if revives the measures before the

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Very briefly:

 SMH Société Suisse de Microélectronique et d'Horlogerie SA, the watchmaker whose line includes Swatch, earned 440 million Swiss francs (\$303 million) in 1993, up from 413 million francs in 1992.

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Italy's industrial output fell 2.8 percent in 1993 from 1992, but small signs of recovery appeared in the fourth quarter, when output was 0.2 percent above the same period in 1992.

Hoogovens NV sold its entire stake in Hoogovens Industrial Supplies to three Dutch investment companies as part of its strategy to return to its core metals manufacturing business.

Commercial Union PLC, one of Britain's top five insurance companies, said higher prices and lower costs lifted 1993 pretax earnings to £218 million (\$323 million) from £31 million in 1992.

 Jyske Bank AS, the fourth-largest bank in Denmark, said it earned 429 million kroner (\$63 million) in 1993, reversing from a loss of 919 million kroner in 1992, its the most favorable results since 1985.

 Dyno Industrier AS, the Norwegian chemicals and explosives firm, earned 307 million krener (\$41 million) in 1993, nearly double its 1992 earnings of 161 million kroner, on the strength of its chemical division.

Bloomberg, AP, AFP, Knight-Rudder, Reuten

NatWest Rides Surge In Earnings

LONDON - National Westminster Bank PLC, Britain's second-biggest bank, said its pretax

profit surged 169 percent in 1993 as

a revival in the British economy cut

Profit before taxes climbed to £989 million (\$1.5 billion) from £367 million a year earlier as bad debt provisions fell 30 percent, to £1.26 billion. The main reason for the in

its problem loans.

reduction in bad and doubtful debts," said NatWest Chairman Lord Alexander. NatWest raised its 1993 act dividend 6 percent, to 18.5 pence a share, in line with analysts' expectations.

Swedish ball-bearing maker, reported Wednesday that its 1993 loss narrowed to 669 million kro-

crease in profits was the substantial

"I believe we have begun a period of solid progress which will enable us to achieve steady real
growth in dividends." Lord AlexThe 1993 result after net finanander said. "The U.K. economy is undonbtedly improving, and we ex-pect the level of bad debts to come

down further.' With the bank carning a margin of just 3.7 percent on the loans it is making, some investors are concerned about Nat West's operating income, saying that British reluctance to borrow after the longest recession since the 1930s is putting a crimp on the bank's income.

Cut Costs and Look Abroad, EU Tells Carmakers

BRUSSELS — The European Union's car industry, which lost 70,000 manufacturing jobs in 1993, should cut costs, increase its presence overseas and build "cleaner" products, the Eu-ropean Commission said Wednesday.

The European automobile industry isn't unable to compete in principle." Industry Com-missioner Martin Bangemann said at a news conference. "It has a few weaknesses, but once these have been cleared up, it has a very rosy

The Union will help by continuing its efforts to create a single market and providing money for research, vocational training and investments, the commission said in a report.

The 1993 result after net finan-cial items compared with a loss of

1.7 billion kronor in the year-earli-

er period. The improvement was

"mainly due to the cost-cutting program and higher productivity in

the group," an SKF spokesman

all our markets during the fourth

quarter," the spokesman, Ake

Svanberg, said:

"We also saw an improvement in

ed zero growth in demand in Europe in 1994, a forecast that would be used in negotiations with Janan on its car exports to Enrope this year. The two sides are to meet Thursday in Tokyo.

On Japanese access to the EU market, the commission said compromises had been reached on meeting market forecasts under the EC-Japanese accord had been reached. The revised export level for 1993 of 980,000

Japanese cars was exactly met, and this was down 18.4 percent from the year before, the report said. Japan's automotive trade surplus with the Union is 10 billion European currency units (\$8.9 billion), it said.

The 15.9 percent decline in the 1993 Europe-

an Union market for cars and light commercial vehicles was the largest annual drop ever recorded, the report said.

The industry is likely to lose 40,000 manufac-turing jobs in 1994, leaving total manufacturing employment at 900,000, it said. Sales are expected to rise to more than

million units by the end of 1999, from 11.7 million in 1993. But the industry needs to restructure to be more competitive, especially before the Union opens its market completely to Japanese cars at the end of 1999, the report

The report urged manufacturers to establish a stronger manufacturing presence in growing markets such as Eastern Europe, Latin America

FRANKFURT - The management of the Ger-

man shipbuilder Bremer Vulkan Verbund AG.

denying press reports that it was short of cash and

had misused state aid, said Wednesday that its

finances were sound and that it would resume

paying a dividend in 1995.

Board members beld a press conference to de-nounce accusations of financial mismanagement.

concealed state holdings in the company and a

capital shortage.

The monthly Manager Magazin said in its March issue that the company had misused state aid intended for shipyards in the former East

Germany and that the group's East German yards

had been forced to pay service fees to West Ger-

Friedrich Hennemann, the chairman, said gov-

erument subsidies had not been misused and that

NOTICE TO THE SHAREHOLDERS

ASIAN CAPITAL HOLDINGS FUND 20, Boulevard Emmanuel Servais L-2535 LUXEMBOURG

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Notice is hereby given that the Annual Ceneral Meeting of the shambulders of ASIAN CAPITAL HOLDENGS FUND will be beld at the registered office of the company on Manch 14th, 1994 at 3:30 p.m.

AGENDA

Approval of the report of the Board of Directors and the report of the Auditor:

Approval of the imancial statements for the year ending on December 31st.

Ratification of the coroptation as Director of the Hon, Jeremy Soar replace Mr. Richard Lamb who has resigned:

Discharge of the onegoing Directors and the Anditor from their duties for

the year ending on December 31st, 1943;
Appointment of the Agents of the company:
Re-election of the Directors: except Mr. Richard Lamb who has resigned; - Re-decision of the Auditor

solutions on the above-mentioned agenda will require no quorum and the

resolutions will be passed by a simple majority of the chanes present or presented at the meeting. A charelabler may be at any meeting by provi-

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REPUBLIC OF LEBANON COUNCIL FOR DEVELOPMENT AND RECONSTRUCTION

SKF Narrowed Loss in 1993

STOCKHOLM - SKF AB, the a return to profit in 1994.

nor (\$84 million), citing cost-cut-ting and an improvement in its dend, for the second year in a row.

Tender for the Execution of the Infrastructure Works in the Beirut Central District

SKF said it expected sales to percent, SKF said.

The Government of Lebanon, represented by the Council for Development and Reconstruction (C.D.R.), invites suitably qualified Lebanese infrastructure and civil engineering Contractors to tender for the Reconstruction of the Infrastructure Works in Beirut

- Works will include the following main elements:

- A Ring Road around the BCD area with an approximate length of 3.6 km and of various widths, including interchanges, bridges.

- Primary roads in the BCD area with an approximate length of 8.4 km and width varying between 15 m and 40 m. - Secondary roads in the BCD area with an approximate length of 10.5 km and width varying between 7 m and 27 m.

- Tertiary roads in the BCD area with an approximate length of 6.2 km and width varying between 8 m and 10 m. - Road furniture such as sidewalks; kerbs, traffic lights, etc.

- General public lighting for streets, interchanges, bridges, underpasses and tunnels.

- Sewerage network, including around 28 km of sewer pipes with service connections, manholes, and a sewage pumping station. - Stormwater drainage nerwork including around 26 km of stormwater pipes and culverts with gullies, manholes and outfalls. - Landscoping and irrigation network for roads including around 38 km of irrigation mains manifolds and laterals, wells, a ground

- Water supply network including around 30 km of water mains with fittings, valves, fire hydrants and control devices. - Electric power distribution works including cable support system within culverts, as well as duct banks and manholes for the

- Tunnel tighting system complete including lighting fixtures, transformer sub-stations, stand-by generators. CCTV. etc.

- Civil works including primary and secondary ducts, manholes and handholes for Telecommunications Network (Outside Plant). Are invited to tender, Lebanese Contractors working in Lebanon or outside Lebanon who have executed in the last twenty years similar works for government agencies or public or private organizations for a total amount of one hundred and fifty (150) Million U.S. Dollars at dollar actual rates at the times of execution, of which at least one similar project has amounted to fifty (50) Million

Lebanese Contractors who do not meet the requirements stipulated above and who wish to participate in this tender must establish a joint venture with an International Contractor who must meet the conditions stated above provided that the Lebanese Contractor has executed similar work during the last 20 years amounting to 30 Million U.S. Dollars, one project of which amounted to 10

Tenders must be submitted inside two separate sealed envelopes.

The first envelope shall contain the completed qualification documents contained in the Tender Documents for this purpose and any other supporting documents proving the technical and financial ability and experience of the Contractor. The second envelope shall contain the commercial proposal.

The Tender Committee shall first open the first envelope and establish the ability and experience of the Contractors. The Committee shall relain only those Contractors who qualify to execute the Project and shall return the Tender Documents to those Contractors who do not qualify. The Tender Committee shall then open the second envelope of only those Contractors who have qualified publicly at a date and

Contractors who wish to participate in this Tender are invited to collect the relevant Tender Documents against a sum of U.S. Dollars Ten Thousand (\$10,000) at the offices of C.D.R. as of Monday February 28, 1994 at the following address:

The Council for Development and Reconstruction Tallet Al-Saray, Beirut Lebanon

Tenders are to be submitted at the above address not later than 12:00 hours noon Beirut local time at the offices of C.D.R. on

REPUBLIC OF LEBANON

Prequalification of Consortia for the Finance, Design, Build, Operate and Transfer of a Conference Center and Luxury Hotel Complex in Beirut

The Lebanese Government wishes to build a center for conventions, exhibitions as well as Arab and International conferences, as part of its plan to reinforce the role of Beirut as a center for culture, finance, tourism and trade.

The Government of Lebanon, represented by the Council for Development and Reconstruction (C.D.Rt invites applications from suitably qualified Lebanese. Arab or International institutions wishing to undertake this vital project to prequalify to participate in a competition to design, execute, finance and operate a conference center with a luxury five star 500 to 1,000 room hotel including luxury and ordinary suites, a commercial center in addition to a marina with all its facilities on plot No. 705 in Ain Al Mraissi, Beirut.

Those wishing to prequalify should form consortia which will include a financier, an international hotel operator, an international qualified consulting firm with a wide experience in designing first class luxury hotels provided he collaborates with a Lebanese consulting office.

The project will be erected on land owned by the Lebanese Government with a total area of 66,000m. The main functions of the project will occupy a built up area of 260,000 mt approximately, distributed as follows:

- Conference halls, lecture halls and theatres 43,000 m² 167,000 m² 35,000 m² - Commercial centers 15,000 m² - Cultural and entertainment centers - Car parks as needed

The project is to be designed and executed in accordance with a time schedule within a period not exceeding 36 months. The successful consortium will have to operate the project for a period of time then hand it over in excellent condition to the State of Lebanon.

Prequalification must be in accordance with the prequalification document available at C.D.R. against the sum of U.S.\$ 5.000 (five thousand American dollars) in the form of a banker's certified cheque in the name of the Council for Development and Reconstruction. Those wishing to participate in the competition are invited to receive the prequalification document starting Monday

February 28, 1994 and return them with all supporting material before twelve o'clock noon. Beirut local time on Thursday April 28, 1994 at the following address:

Council for Development and Reconstruction Tallet Al-Saray Beirut Lebanon

Total built up area excluding car parks

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Ringgit Undaunted By New Bank Rules

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KUALA LUMPUR - New central bank measures designed to thwart currency speculators failed

to daunt the ringgit's rise against the dollar Wednesday. Just a day after Bank Negara banned currency swaps that were not trade-related and said it sought

greater vigilance in the fight against currency speculation, the dollar fell further against the Malaysian cur-rency, to 2.7260 ringgit from 2.7680

ringgit Tuesday.

Previous measures making it more difficult for foreigners to hold the ringgit, which is the intent of the swaps ban, had weakened the

Some analysts said Wednesday's ringgit raily may have been causedby short-covering by traders who sold the currency Tuesday in anticipation of stiffer anti-speculative

Another possibility is that investors were buying the ringgit to buy Malaysian stocks, analysis said. The ringgit's recent fall has made stocks cheaper for overseas investors. Stocks also offer an indirect means to skirt Bank Negara's regulations and bet on the currency.

The Kuala Lumpur Stock Exchange's composite index rose 3 percent Wednesday, offering evidence that some foreigners were

shifting ringgit into stocks.

"As an educated guess, I would say some of that money is finding its way into the market," said Paul Storey, research manger at Mohaiyani Securities. "One can certainly say there is increased foreign

Bank Negara began to make it difficult for foreigners to keep money in Malaysia in early January, shortly after it drove down the

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BOMBAY - General Electric

Co. said Wednesday that India was

a priority area for investment after

the country's economic reforms and said it would invest as much as

\$500 million in the next few years.

"We already have approvals for investing \$200 million," Scott Bayman, president and chief executive officer of General Electric India,

said. "By the middle of the decade, it could rise to half a billion dol-

Mr. Bayman said General Elec-

tric would concentrate on power:

Investment in India

value of its currency to dress up the value of its foreign reserves near

The weak ringgit caught the attention of speculators, who poured money into Malaysia expecting its currency to rebound. The inflow of funds alarmed the central bank. which feared the money supply was growing too quickly and could touch off higher inflation.

The first strike against offshore funds came on Jan. 3, when Bank Negara raised the statutory reserve ement for banks and finance companies, forcing them to tie up foreign funds in reserves.

The central bank also banned the sale of short-term instruments those manning in one year or less

A week later it ruled that all foreign funds would be included in the hability bases of banks, which further raised the reserve amounts that financial institutions had to deposit with the central bank.

Last week, the central bank issued a ruling after banking hours that forced banks to charge nega-tive interest on ringgit funds held by foreign institutions in local currency accounts.

At a meeting Tuesday, Bank Negara urged commercial bankers not to sell long-term monetary instruments to foreigners, executives familiar with the discussion at the meeting said. Bank Negara also asked the banks to stop advising foreigners how to get around its

Dealers said they expected cur-rency volatility to continue through Tuesday, when the last batch of (Bloomberg Reuters) year earlier.

TAIPEI - Companies are finding eager

buyers for overseas issues of convertible bonds among international fund managers

eager to tap into Taiwan's rapidly growing

Twelve Taiwan companies have successful-ly issued the bonds, called Euroconvertibles,

On Tuesday, Formosa Plastics Co., one of

Taiwan's largest companies, said it planned to sell \$1.05 billion of bonds in the country's

largest overseas debt issue. At least six other local companies have applied to issue Euro-convertibles, and several others are consider-

In Japan, Mobile Phones for Less

TOKYO - Deregulation of Japan's mobile telephone market, due April 1, is expected to spark a round of competition among local cellular telephone companies, with carners under government pressure to expand their use of Motorola Inc. technology.

The changes, which will allow the purchase of mobile phones previously available only for rent, will begin making the devices more accessible to individuals, who have been slow to embrace them, analysis said.
"One of reasons the cellular telephone

market had such low penetration compared with overseas markets was a big price difference between cellular and regular tele-phones," Toshiho Sato, an analyst at UBS Securities, said. With deregulation and the resulting sharp decline in user fees for mobile telephones, "that gap will narrow," he said.

Mr. Sato said the removal of the rental fee

would immediately cut user costs for mobile phones by about one-third, and other fees are expected to follow quickly as competition

It is still far from clear to analysts exactly who will be the big beneficiaries of the - telecom carriers or equipment suppliers - and the U.S. threat of sanctions complicated the outlook.

Analysis say the Motorola standard could get the upper hand from deregulation because of its simpler technology, which might prove attractive to increasingly cost-conscious Japanese consumers.

So far, Motorola's main source of support in its fight for a Japanese market share has been the U.S. government, which has worked for years to open the cellular phone market to U.S. makers through bilateral agreements. The U.S. trade representative, Mickey Kantor, said Feb. 15 that the United States

would impose sanctions on Japan within 30 days in the cellular phone sector for violating a 1989 agreement to give U.S. companies "comparable market access." The move was prompted by a complaint by

Motorola over Japan's failure to open dense-ly populated areas to its TACS technology. the North American standard promoted locally mainly by the carrier DDI Corp.

Motorola this month said Japan's closed

pany between \$250 million and \$300 million a year in lost sales. The government says it has taken serious steps to encourage the private sector to intro-

market for cellular phones had cost the com-

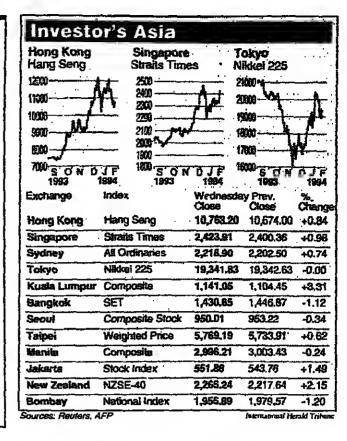
duce Motorola products, efforts that it says have allowed Motorola to sell \$250 billion yen (\$2.35 billion) of products in Japan.

Analysts said the government had also tried to avoid U.S. sanctions by instructing the carrier Nippon Idou Tsushin Corp. to expand its use of the TACS format to accommodate 450,000 subscribers by 1997, putting its TACS subscriber base at about 93 percent of its NTT-format coverage.

But they said it was still not certain that Motorola itself would be in a position to take advantage of the deregulation, in spire of Washington's efforts to open the door for the

Nippon fdou was reported Wednesday to have rejected a Motorola proposal that it order 225,000 Motorola portable telephones to prompt the dropping of sanctions. Koichiro Chiwata, an analyst at Salomon

Brothers, said the inevitable expansion of the Motorola standard would be a boon for the Japanese phone maker Uniden Corp. Uniden, which makes all its products overseas and sends the majority of its exports to the United States, should be well positioned to take advantage of an expansion of TACSbased networks in Japan, he said.



Fletcher Challenge's Profit Triples

Compiled by Our Staff From Dunatches WELLINGTON - Fletcher

Challenge Ltd., an energy and for-estry conglomerate, said Wednes-day that its profit had tripled in the six months ended in December, reflecting helty gains from asset sales but no growth in product sales.

Net profit was 492.1 million New Zealand dollars (US\$284 million) in the second half of 1993, which was the first half of the financial short-term instruments allowed to year for Fletcher. The company be sold to foreign investors ma- had profit of 153.5 million dollars a

Taiwan's Not-Yet-Convertible Bonds Lure Buyers

conversion will be allowed.

bonds, issued on European markets, because

the Taiwan equity market is virtually closed to direct foreign investment.

In theory, the bonds can be exchanged for

listed shares in the issuing company. In prac-

tice, they cannot be converted, because the

government has yet to produce regulations permitting it. This is the result of rifts within

the government over the pace and scope of liberalization of the financial markets.

Industry sources remain optimistic that

"So many companies are issuing Eurocon-

vertibles now, they've got to pass eventually," said Phoebe Li of Yuen Foong Yu Paper,

hich in 1989 became the first local company

a restructuring charge of 45 million

Sir Ron Trotter, the company's chairman, said earnings were ex-pected to be higher in the current six-month period.

Sales fell 13 percent, to 4.3 billion dollars, for which the company cited lower world prices for paper, pulp and oil.

The company, which has been struggling to whittle down debt left

ratio had fallen to 42.5 percent from 57.4 percent a year earlier. It said it had sold off 4.6 billion dollars of assets over the past 18

David Stanley, an analyst with Doyle, Patterson & Brown, said the results were in line with expectations and that earnings in the cur-rent half should be helped by higher world prices for oil, pulp and

But there is no sign conversion will be allowed soon. "When the convertibility issue

will be resolved, no one can say," said Ting

Ke-hua, head of the fourth division at the

Securities and Exchange Commission.
On Tuesday, C. Y. Su, spokesman for Formosa Plastics, said it and its Nan Ya Plastics

Corp. and Formosa Chemicals & Fiber Corp.

units each planned to raise \$350 million

through issues of overseas convertible bonds.

cal complex valued at about \$8.6 billion, the

arvest private investment ever in Taiwan.

Jack Pan, a chemical Industry analyst with

The funds will help finance a petrochemi-

(Bloomberg, Reuters)

New Airport The company said its profit included a one-time gain of 392 million dollars for asset sales as well as Helping Links

TOKYO - All Nippon Airways expects the opening of a new international airport in September to speed the creation of alliances with foreign carriers. Yoshiyuki Nakamachi, a company vice president,

Many foreign airlines, such as British Airways and some U.S. carriers, have contacted All Nippon for possible alliances ahead of the opening of the Kansai International Airport near Osaka, scheduled for Sept. 4. Mr. Nakamachi said.

Kansai will be Japan's first 24hour airport and will handle both international and domestic flights. It will give passengers from overseas better access to Japanese cities other than Tokyo. Foreign carriers say a Japanese network made through a link with domestic counterparts will lure more passengers, Mr. Nakamachi said.

The idea of using Japanese carriers to go on to other Asian destinations also attracts them, be said,

All Nippon has the largest domestic flight network among major

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 Unilever Group and Kimberty-Clark Corp. said they were forming a joint venture that would manufacture disposable diapers and market feminine-care products in India.

Brunei, which holds a 10 percent stake in Malaysian Airlines, plans to buy some shares of Philippine Airlines, the Philippine airline said.

NEC Corp. said it had developed the world's first video-processing large-scale integrated circuit chip capable of real-time recognition of moving images. The company said the chip could handle complex functions previously restricted to supercomputers.

 Siam Cement Co., Thailand's largest building-materials conglomerate. said profit fell 27 percent, to 2.59 billion baht (\$102 million), in 1993. First Pacific Co., a Hong Kong investment company, said it sold a 43.2 percent stake in Internatio-Müller NV, the Dutch engineering and trading group, for 20.5 million guilders (\$10.6 million).

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Ramos Yields, Scraps Oil Tax

MANILA — President Fidel V. Ramos yielded to public pressur; a Wednesday and abolished an oil tax that had raised prices and set off widespread protests in the Philippines.

Mr. Ramos said the decision would mean delays in vital projects that

could have created 100,000 jobs and the possible cancellation of other development. He suspended the price rises a few days after they took effect, after bombings and street demonstrations.

Jardine Fleming Securities, said. "They should have no problem raising the money," he said. (Reuters, Bloomberg) Foreign investors are scurrying to buy the to launch a Euroconvertible. generation and aircraft engines.

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Canon Is Set to Use U.S. Chip

New York Times Service

International Business Machines Corp. has amounced that Canon Inc. has agreed to use the Power PC chip in future generations of personal computers, giving the new microchip a welcome, if limited, endorsement. The Japanese company is one of the few computer makers, apart from the three companies that jointly developed the Power PC — IBM, Apple Companies Inc. and Motorola Inc. to companie the new the power Inc.

Computer Inc. and Motorola Inc. — to commit itself to using the new chip.

The three-company Power PC effort aims to produce a family of microprocessors that can be used in everything from hand-held devices to supercomputers. But to succeed, the Power PC must over the next few years make a dent in Intel Corp.'s dominance of the mainstream personal computer market.

computer market.

Canon, best known for its cameras and copying machines, is trying to become a factor in the personal-computer business. A subsidiary, Canon Computer Systems, to Costa Mesa, California, was started in 1992, selling machines mainly through big electronics stores and other retailers.

CHIP: Start-Up's Wager

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attracting corporate investors who should know better? Although Microunity will not disclose its backers, companies that are rumored to be investing include Microsoft Corp., Hewlett-Packard Co., Tele-Communications Inc., U

S West Inc. and Cray Research Inc. Microunity's designers say that with their own factory, they can gain advantages io performance and quality that are beyond the courrol of the so-called fabless chip companies — those without their own chip-fabrication plants, or fabs.

Mr. Matthews, 41, has been able to save money, buying some of the latest chip-making machines for as little as 20 cents on the dollar from a large American chip maker that he said was cutting back. He declined to identify the seller. Even so, tilting at a market populated by giants such as Intel Corp., Motorola Inc. and NEC Corp. would seem a quixotic quest.

John Moussouris, 43, Microunity's founder and chairman, said be was pushing toward a type of computing that more efficiently computing that more efficiently converts analog signals such as sound and video into the digital form that can be processed by computers.

Microunity, which has already been issued 18 semiconductor patents, is attempting to break out of the pack of chip makers by starting from scratch and rethinking the process by which chips are made.

In the enlarged scale of a conventional chip blueprint, a clearly visible space separates the microscopic components of each of the chip's militors of memory cells. In the Microunity version, that space has invited. That means that each cell vanished. That means that each cell can be smaller, faster and cheaper.

"They're apparently pulling out the stops on everything," David Ditzel, a Sun Microsystems Inc. computer designer, said. "One of the biggest concerns is: Are they trying to do too many things simul tancously?"

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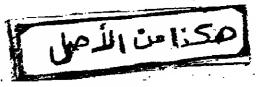
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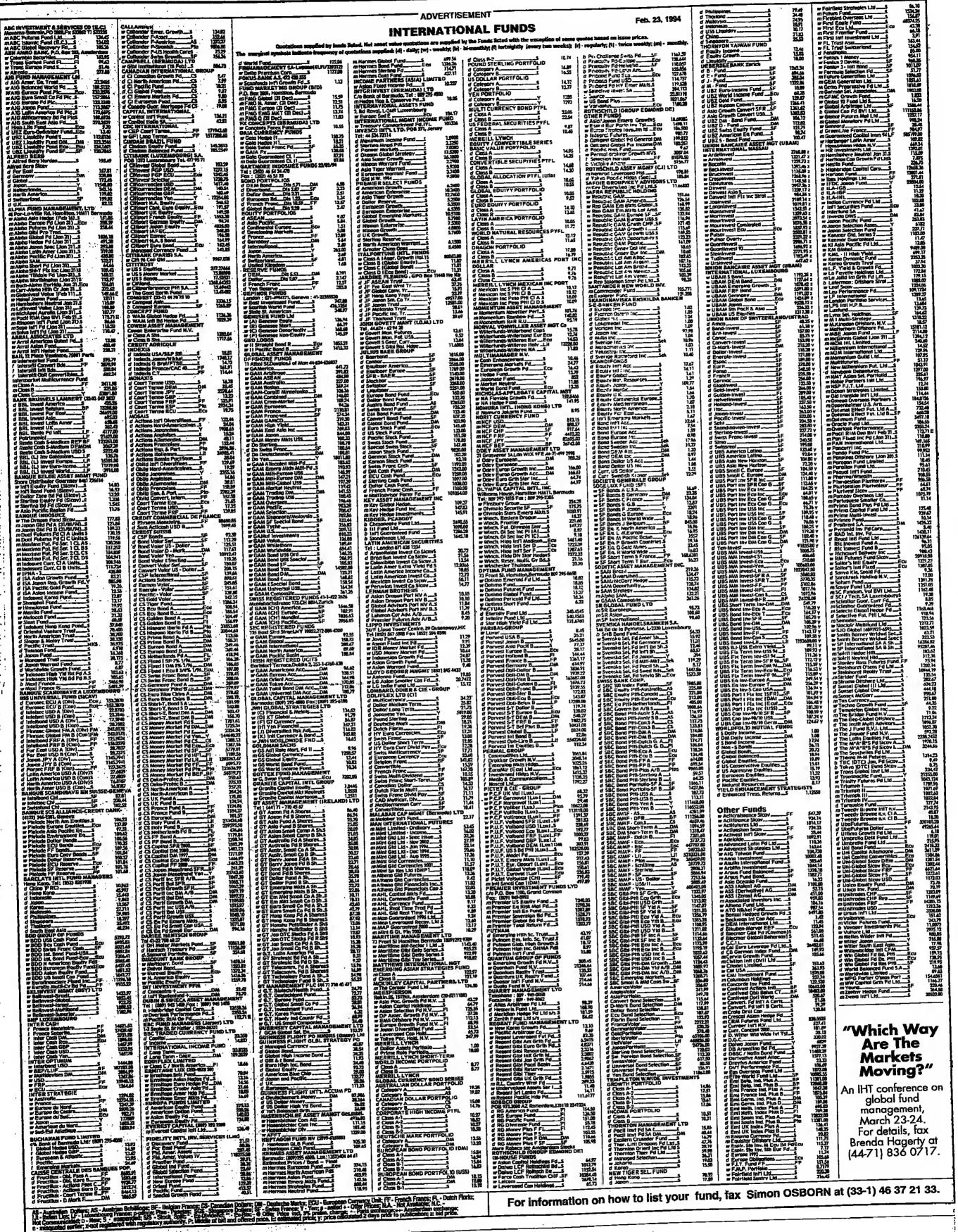
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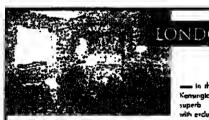
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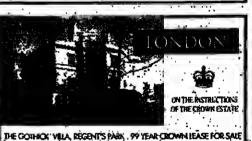
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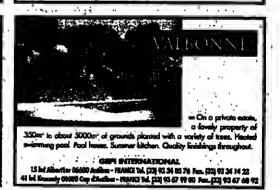


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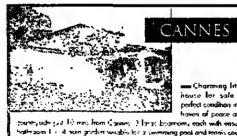


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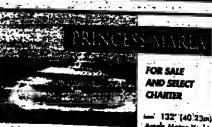


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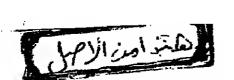




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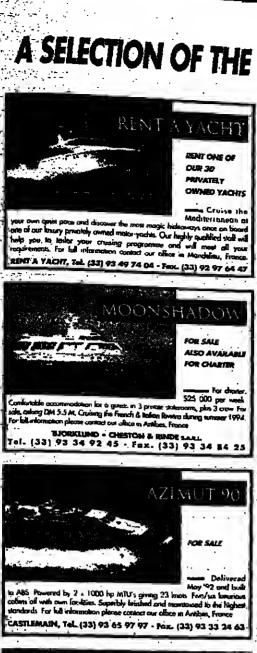
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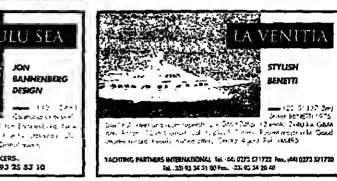


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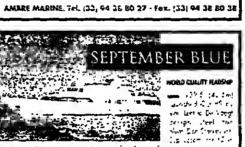
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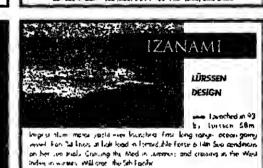
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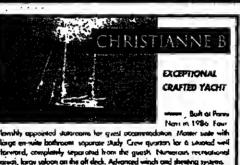
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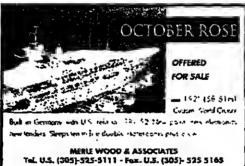


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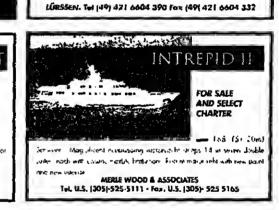
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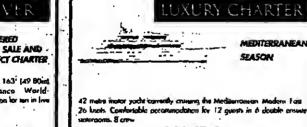




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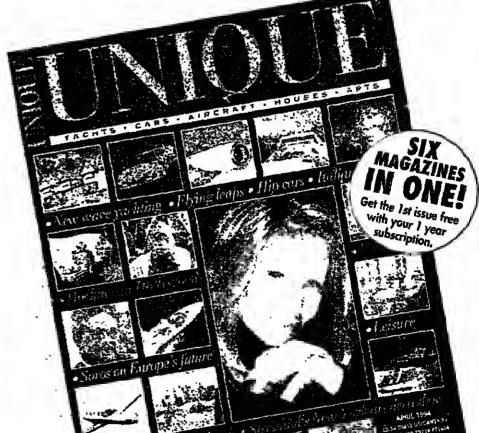


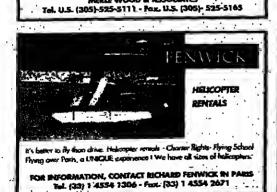






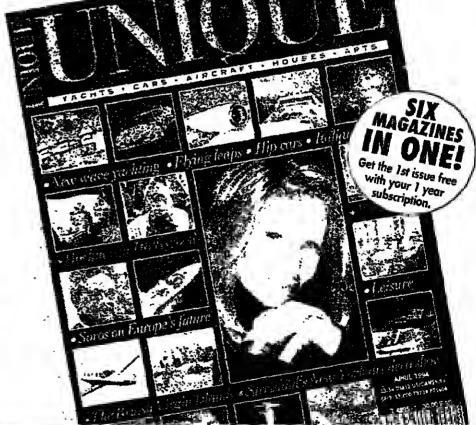
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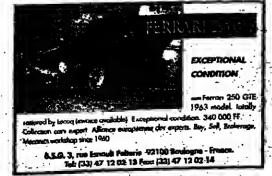










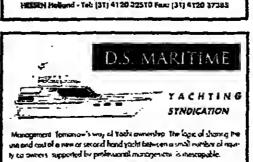


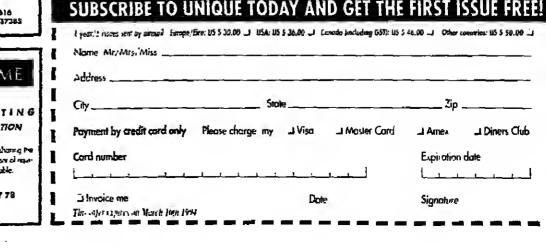


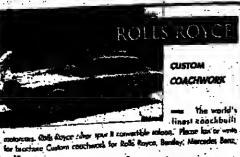
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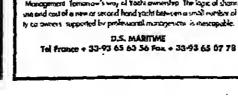
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Star-Short Women's Tennis Robs the Cradle Again

By Robin Finn

New York Times Service NEW YORK — The promoters say definitely. Her coach says maybe. Her father says possibly. Her mother says why so

soon. The sponsors say hurry up already.

What the player herself says is that she wants to compete this August in the Virginia Slims of Los Angeles in Manhattan Beach, California, an upscale seaside haunt she rarely glimpsed from Compton, California, the downscale suburb where she spent her wonder years before relocating to Florida at age 11 tn begin taking in tennis every which way but intravenously.

Women's tennis, which launches its untested teenage phenomennus with all the boopla that once attended the christening nf luxury liners, is about to unveil another one. If 13-year-old Venus Williams spies a queen or movie star heading her way with a Champagne bottle aloft, she'd better duck.

The women's tour, temporarily sponsorless and suddenly star-starved nnw that in the tournament promoters angling to Mnnica Seles and Jennifer Capriau have make their venues the site of her debut. She put peace of mind ahead of their marquee hasn't competed in anything except show-

value, is crossing its fingers. With a proposed age-eligibility change taking the
already the arguments about where and
slow boat to fruition, there's still time for
Venus, who turns 14 in June, to get in

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"Venus, which is only logical since the fam"Venus has made the request to us that under the wire - and get to work.

There hasn't been this much tension over the imminent arrival of a phenom since the tennis hierarchy tinkered with its age-eligibility rule to give Capriati, now a former player at 17. quick access at 13.

Actually, Venus Williams has been sailing steadily toward the tennis limelight ever since her father, Richard, with an adman's flair for phrasing, dubbed her a ghetto Cinderella when she was 10. Every management conglomerate from IMG to Don King has offered to be her Prince Charming on the business front. And ber preferred versinn nf glass slippers are supplied gratis by Reebok, a company poised to outfit her with endorsements the instant

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Toshiba Tennis Classic, in the midst of announcing a sponsor switch from Mazda to let Venus turn professional this summer.

The debate is already raging about when and where Venus Williams. the latest teen phenom, makes her tour debut.

to Toshiba, failed to deny the suggestion that Venus Williams bad chosen their August event for her launching pad. The news media obligingly began to herald the coming spectacle as if it were a confirmed deal. The promoters claimed Rick Macci, Venus's on-again. of (-again coach, did not all the pressures that go with it." quash their hopes. Macci says he did, but apparently was misunderstood.

"If she's in a position to capitalize on endorsements at 14, she should take it once they indeed decide to let her start competing," Macci said. "The only reason to play as an amateur is if she's going to college." "All I know is that Venus is ready to get

out there and fight." he said. Lynne Rolley, the United States Tennis Association's director of coaching for women's tennis and its link to the Williams

"My hope is that they start Venus as an amateur," said Rnlley. "There's nothing wrong with playing a few tournaments and testing the waters to see where she stands, but I don't want to see a big pro debut and

Nn doubt there will be ample fodder for be a player, knows she's signing on as a misunderstanding as Venus Williams, who saleswoman, too?

she wants to play at Manhattan Beach," said Brandi Williams, the player's mother, who so far has expressed only reluctance about the early pressures and perils inherent in her daughter's career choice, "But it's all still up in the air."

In any case, Jerry Diamond, promoter of the Manhattan Beach event, has a wild card ready for Venus Williams. Diamond said he is a proponent of limiting the number of events a 14-year-old can play.

"But I don't think 14- and 15-year-olds should be shut out, especially now when tournaments are suffering with secondary fields because two of the best players are Diamond said. "Women's tennis: doesn't have any personalities and that's what sells the sport."

Wonder if Venus Williams, who wants to

SIDELINES

White Sox Won't Trade McDowell

SARASOTA, Florida (AP) - The Chicago White Sox said that they did not plan to trade the Cy Young Award winner Jack McDowell, who has promised that he would sign with another team as a free agent after this season.

McDowell was angered after he went to salary arbitration for the third straight winter and lost for the second time. He was awarded \$5.3 million

instead of \$6.5 million. "I told him before and after, he's in our plans," the White Sox official Ron Schueler said on Tuesday. Schueler has not ruled out a long-term deal with McDowell.

First Norwegians in Oxford Crew
LONDON (AP) — Two returning Americans and the first-ever Norwegians were named Wednesday to the eight-member crews for the 140th

Oxford-Cambridge Boat Race.

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The American Joe Michels, who captained Oxford's victory two years ago, returns for his fourth Boat Race as the "dark blues" attempt to avenge last year's surprise defeat. He is joined for the March 26 race by the brothers Swerke and Snorre Lorgez, who rowed for Norway in the coxless pairs at the Olympics and last year's World Championships. Another American, Jon Bernstein, is one of four returning members of Cambridge's crew and will serve as captain. The team also includes the Olympic and World Championship medalists Peter Höltzenbein and Thorsten Streppelhoff of Germany. Elizabeth Chick, Oxford's winning coxswain from the 1992 race, returns to the front of the boat this year to become the second woman to take part in two Boat Races.

Doctors Optimistic About Williams

GAINESVILLE. Florida (AP) — Ted Williams showed signs of improvement three days after a minor stocke, and doctors were optimistic that he would regain strength in his weakened left side.

The baseball Hall of Famer remained in fair condition at a hospital, where a spokesman said Williams, 75, had a limited field of vision, but that emphasized he had not lost his sight entirely.

"He's still very alert and has been sitting up, talking and joking around a lot," said the spokesman, Daniel Moore. "The physicians are encouraged by his attitude." aged by his attitude."

Havelange to Seek New FIFA Term

NEW YORK (Reuters) - João Havelange, president of FIFA, has publicly dismissed recent media speculation that he might soon quit as head of the world soccer body.

Addressing journalists on Tuesday before a two-day FIFA World Cup

meeting here, Havelange, 77, set the record straight. Head of FIFA for nearly 20 years and facing re-election this year, Havelange said that "in the face of the published rumors" he had met the presidents of all five soccer confederations within FIFA. He said all five had confirmed his

omination and asked him to run for another four-year term.
"Throughout my life, whenever I have been elected I have never stood down," he said. "I am going to the end of my mandate."

'Mr. Clutch' Lifts No. 21 Boston College

li was two years ago that Gerrod Abram earned the nickname "Mr. Clutch" for making three consecutive game-winning shots for

Nn. 21 Boston College.

And the senior buried a well-defensed 3pointer at the huzzer Tuesday night to give the visiting Eagles an 80-77 vicinry over Pittsburgh.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

It was his third chance to give his team the victory in the last 33 seconds. "I was fortunate the coaches believed in me," Ahram said. "Some guys wnuldn't give you another opportunity."

Bostnn College's coach. Jim O'Brien, designed the last play for Abram, even if it wasn't quite what was drawn on the clipboard.

Abram's first two chances ended with missed layups after length-of-the-court passes. The first came with the Eagles (19-7, 10-5 Big East) leading 77-74. Sotiris Aggelou of Pitt (13-11, 7-

 tied it with a 3-pointer with 17 seconds left. Boston College again inbounded with a long pass to Abram, who missed another close shot. Pitt threw the ball out of bounds on its possession and the Eagles bad the ball back with six seconds left. Abram went toward the right base-line and launched the shot over Ahmad Shareed,

giving the Eagles their eighth victory in 10 games and the Panthers their sixth straight loss. Abram finished with 11 points and was 2-for-3 from 3-point range, Malcolm Huckahy had 24 points for the Eagles and Bill Curley had 23 points and 12 rebounds.

Eric Mnbley had 20 points and 13 rebounds for the Panthers, while Orlando Antigua had 19 points nn 5-for-6 shooting from 3-point range. No. 1 Arkansas 74, Georgia 65: The Razor-backs (21-2, 11-2 Southeastern Conference) won their ninth in a row as Scotty Thurman had 25 points. Georgia (12-13, 6-7) trailed 70-52 with 2:56 left and was able to close the margin

came in and hit three 3-pointers. Carlos Strong led the Buildogs with 13 points.

No. 3 Michigan 79, Illinois 70: The Wolverines (20-4, 12-2 Big Ten) also won their ninth in a row and reached the 20-victory mark for the third straight year, the same amount of time the Fab Fnur has been around Ann Arbor. Jalen Rose had 24 points and Jawan Howard added 21 for Michigan, which led 60-42 with 11:36 to play. Illinois (14-8, 7-6) closed within 75-70 with 34 seconds to play. Deon Thomas and T. J. Wheeler each had 16 points for the Illini, who

East regular-season title as Donyell Marshall had eight of his 19 points in a 34-second span in the second half to give the visitors a 57-37 lead. Constantin Popa had 18 points for the Hurricanes (7-16, 0-15), who lost their school-record

13th straight game.

No. 8 Temple 65, Duquesne 6t: Rick Brunson was 6-for-10 from 3-point range and finished with a career-high 31 points as the visiting Owls (20-4, 12-3 Atlantic 10) won their third straight since Coach John Chaney received his one-game suspension for threatening the Massachusetts coach after a loss. Freshman Tom Pipkins had 22 points for the Dukes (14-9, 7-6).

No. 11 Massachusetts 99, St. Joseph's 73: The Minutemen (22-5, 12-1 Atlantic 10) had a at home in the final 63 seconds when Ty Wilson season-high on the offensive end as they avenged last week's loss to the Hawks (11-13, 3-11) at Philadelphia.

Virginia 73, No. 23 Georgia Tech 72: The Cavaliers (14-9, 8-6 ACC) ended a nine-game losing streak to Georgia Tech as freshman Harold Deane's two free throws with 28 seconds left in overtime stood up as the game-winners. Travis Best, who finished with 24 points for the visiting Yellow Jackets (14-10, 5-8), worked the clock down and drove the lane only to have his are 0-6 against the Fab Five.

No. 5 Connecticut 74, Miami 49: The Huskies (23-3, 13-2) clinched at least a share of the Big

A Heavyweight Offer: Jordan as Title Contender

TOTOWA, New Jersey --- As if Michael Jordan did not already

have his hands full trying to hit baseballs. On Tuesday, the boxing promoter Dan Duva offered Jordan a chance to fight the Evander Holyfield-Michael Moorer winner for the beavyweight title —and guaranteed the former National Basket-ball Association star and rookie Chicago White Sox outfielder \$15

"I wouldn't fight him if I had a gun," said the 198-pound (90-kilogram) Jordan, referring to Holyfield, "That's crazy."

"This offer is not a joke," Duva said. "We are 100 percent serious. It seems that Mr. Jordan loves the challenge of proving he is the best, regardless of the sport. I would like to offer Michael the ultimate individual sport challenge, an opportunity to fight for the heavy-weight championship of the world."

He added: "While this idea might seem crazy, remember, in the '60s, Muhammad Ali and Wilt Chamberlain were close to finalizing arrangements for Will to challenge Ali for the world heavyweight championship. The deal fell apart when Ali — not Wilt — backed

Duva said the proposed bout would take place in November in Las Vegas. Along with a guaranteed \$15 million. Duva said Jordan could negotiate for a percentage of the gross revenue, which, the promoter claimed, could be worth a total of more than \$25 million. Duva is Holyfield's promoter, Holyfield and Moorer will fight. April 22 in Las Vegas for the IBF and WBA title belts.

For the Record

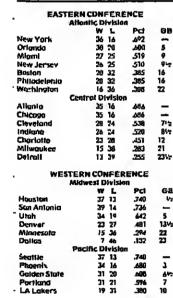
Heavy snow in northern England forced the postponement on Wednesday of the second leg of the English League Cup soccer semifinal between Sheffield Wednesday and Manchester United at Sheffield's Hillsborough stadium. The match was rescheduled for March 2.

(AP)

The Japanese-New Zealand yacht Tokio cut Intrum Justitia's lead to 12 nautical miles Wednesday on the fourth leg of the Whitbread Round the World Race.

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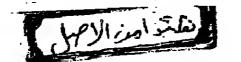












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Greece - ET1; 0830-0900; ET2: 1405-1445, 1315-1945. Hungary - L/TV/Channel 1: 1207-1400, 1625-1655, 2005-2010, 2300-

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Hong Kong - TVB: 2400-0100. South Korea - KBS: 1000-1300; MBC: 1430-1730, 2400-0130. MBC: 1430-1730, 2400-0130. Singapore - SBC/Channel 12: 2400-

For Ratings Reasons, CBS Puts Nancy-Tonya on Ice

Cumpiled by Our Staff From Dispatches When Nancy Kerrigan and Tonya Harding finally took to the ice Wednesday in the technical program of the women's figure skating at the Winter Olympics, the competition was not shown on live television in the United States.

Because CBS, which paid \$295 million for the U.S. rights to the Lillehammer Games, and which is on course for the highest Olympic television ratings of all time, wanted to reserve its crown jewel for the prime-time audience. And its advertisers,

"All the attention focused on that confrontation has got to be translated into ratings," said Rick Gentile, senior vice president of production for CBS Sports. Higher ratings, although he didn't say so, translate into higher advertising fees.

CBS put an embargo on the Harding and Kerrigan routines. No U.S. television outlet was able to show them until after CBS did so on its prime-time show, which ran from 8 P.M. to 11 P.M. Through the first 10 days, CBS has averaged a national Nielsen rating of nearly 26 for its prime-time telecasts. That compares with the previous record of 23.6, set by ABC at the 1980 Lake Placid

Games, which had the U.S. hockey team's gold-medal performance. CBS is not the only network pulling in record viewers. The Games are setting all-time highs all over the world, according to Michael Payne, marketing director for the international Olympic Committee. Ratings in Australia are up 50 percent, the Eurosport satellite

channel has had a 300 percent increase in viewers, and the audience in France is as big as for its own Albertville Games in 1992, he said. But what did CBS viewers get to watch while the main attractions were on the ice? Among the topics scheduled:

• A talk with H. Norman Schwarzkopf, the retired general of Gulf

War fame, who is working as a CBS commentator;
• Previews of the U.S.-Finland hockey game;

 An interview with Kerrigan; • High-tech training -- computers help athletes reach their poten-

(AP. NYT, LAT) ual.

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Friday's Events All times are GMT

Alpine Skiling - Men's combined sta-lom first run, 0830; second run, 1200. Biathion - Women's 4x7.5-kilometer relay, 0900. Figure Skating - Women's freestyle, 1800, Ice Hockey - Semifinals, Finland vs.

Netherlands - NOS: 0900-1725, Caneda, 1830, Slovakia-Russia win-1840-1850, 2030-2325, Norway - NRK: 090-1750, 2000-2400; TV2: 1845-1900, Ski_Jumpleg - 90 meters , 1130, Speed Sketing - Women's 5,000 meters, 1300, Friday's TV

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Denmark - DR: 0945-1545, 2130-2215, 2215-0015. Estonia – ETV: 1050-1730, 1915-1945, 2145-0030. 1945, 2745-0030. Finland — YLE/TV1: 1015-1700; TV2: 1900-1930, 2015-0030. France — FR2: 0924-1115, 1120-1200, 1205-1253, 2050-2230; FR3: 1255-1410, 1415-1520, 1520-1540, 2005-2020.

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SPORTS WINTER OLYMPICS

Canada, Finland and Sweden Advance To Semifinals of Ice Hockey Tournament

Czechs Fall, 3-2

GJOVIK - Paul Kariva scored on a power play at 5:54 of overtime to give Canada a 3-2 victory over the Czech Republic on Wednesday, sending the Canadians into the semifinals in the ice hockey tournament. On Friday, the Canadians will play Fin-

land, which beat the United States, 6-1, in another quarterfinal.

Canada is aiming for its first gold medal in ice hockey in 42 years, having won its first medal — a silver — in 24 years in Albertville in 1992. Czechoslovakia won the bronze

Brian Savage forced overtime with his second tying goal of the game at 14:35 of the

Kariya scored just five seconds after Roman Horak was penalized for hooking Jean Yves Roy. Canada won the faceoff after the penalty. Brad Werenka's shot from the right point was stopped by the Czech defenseman

Th., puck slid into the slot, where Kariya fired a 6-meter (20-foot) shot between the legs of goalie Petr Briza, who had made two outstanding saves on close shots by Savage and Todd Hlushko at 4:25 of overtime. He shots in the last two minutes of the third

In 1992. Canada beat Czechoslovakia. 4-2, in the semifinals and won the silver medal, losing to the Unified Team in the final, 3-1. Canada tied the game 2-2 on Savage's

second goal of the game at 14:35 of the third period. Dwayne Norris passed it to him while falling down and Savage shot quickly from 2 meters on the left side. Hirsch was helpless when Otakar Janecky

stole Greg Johnson's pass to Brad Werenka at Canada's right point and rushed in alone. Hirsch came out to cut the angle, but Janecky put a couple of fakes on him and scored hetween his pads at 19:34 of the first period. Savage tied the game at 6:40 of the second

period. Richard Zemlicka had knocked him off the puck in the right corner, but Savage retrieved it and cut in on Briza. Defenseman Drahomir Kadlec went down in the slot to cut off a pass to the other side, so Savage shot the puck under Briza's left pad. Hirsch could not do much on the Czech's

second goal, either, as Jiri Kucera scored on an 8-meter drive from the right. Hirsch skat-ed down and cut the angle. But Kucera shot it through Werenka's legs and found the only open spot, banging the puck in off the

LILLEHAMMER - Finland ended the U.S. hockey team's medal hopes and remained unbeaten in pursuit of its first Olympic gold medal with a 6-1 quarterfinal vic-tory Wednesday.

Finland (6-0-0), the tournament's only

perfect team, will meet Canada in the semifinals on Friday. The Finns, who entered the Olympics as seventh seeds - one spot behind the Americans — have outscored opponents 31-5. They had four power-play goals and a shorthanded score today. The United States (1-2-3) has not won an

Olympic hockey medal since 1980, when it captured the gold in Lake Placid, New York. It is its longest stretch ever without a medal. It hegins consolation play Thursday against the Czech Republic and can do no better than lifth place. Its only victory

Finland allowed an average of only 12.4 shots in preliminary play; the Americans had 10 in the first period alone and finished with 28. But Jarmo Myllys, whose brilliant goaltending carried Finland to the 1988 sil-

ver medal, was strong again.

"In the first period, the U.S.A played better than us," said Finland's Sako Koivu.

Snow made 30 saves.

The Canadian goalie, Corey Hirsch, also was brilliant, stopping 35 shots. He denied . U.S. Routed, 6-1 ment. A big part of the win was Jarmo. We needed those saves. After our first and second goals, we relaxed and could play our

The U.S. team was at its best in the first 12 minutes but couldn't take advantage of opportunities. Ted Drury, David Sacco and Brian Rolston each had open shots from close range but were stopped by Myllys.

At 12:51, Finland broke the scoreless tie with its first power-play goal. Jere Lehtin-en's shot was blocked by the defensemen-Brett Hauer before Koivu wristed the rebound past goalie Garth Snow.

Finland scored shorthanded at 16:08 to go up 2-0. Esa Keskinen poked the puck away from Craig Johnson at center ice and Mika Nieminen went in on a breakaway. Nie-minen decked Snow to the ice and flipped a backhander over the goaltender.

The United States, which rallied to tie its first three games and almost came from behind to catch Sweden, again looked ready to rally when Sacco beat Myllys shorthanded 54 seconds into the second period.

But in a 2:16-minute span later in the period, Nieminen poked in his own rebound and Hannu Virta beat Snow with a slap shot

Marko Kiprusov and Janne Oljanen add-

SKATE:

Kerrigan Shines Continued from Page 1

moments she knew she had made a mistake, and that there was no chance of her getting away with it. Then she stepped out of a double flip. These are the technicalities that decide the championships and nspire such jealousy.

The last pace of her opening music melted into a waitz, and for a few moments she looked incapable of hurting anything. Then she spun into a sudden halt and her face was strained into a smile, the kind of smile you have after escaping a light. Only a few flowers were tossed down. A little girl delivered them and Harding sneezed so vio-lently that they had to be taken

away.

"When I have a gold medal around my neck," Harding said.

"Thar's when I'll feel like I've achieved what I came here for.

She said this after seeing ber scores for required elements ranging from a pair of 4.8s from the Polish and Ukrainian judges to a 5.3 from the Canadian. Her presentation earned her a range of 5.3 to 5.6. The American judged her a median 5.0 and 5.5, respectively. With 19 competitors remaining, she was no better than second to

The top remained like that until the competition was two hours old, when Bonaly, the favorite in advance, appeared in a melange of colors resembling an evening sun and the bine sea. Her only concern here is to win, and she performed as if it should happen.

The other skaters, Bonaly inchided, performed as if they were in a show. To them it is a competition. but the andience watched as if they were watching themselves as extra in a movie. By the time Baiul skated

The Associated Press.

Gillnoly's court appearance was expected to be routine. Instead, it

brought another unexpected twist

in the Todya Harding story.

Circuit Judge Donald Londer,
after a sharp exchange with the
Multnomah County chief deputy

district attorney, Norm Frink, re-fused to allow Gillooly, Harding's former husband, to go to Colorado

to testify against her at a disciplin-

ary hearing.

The ruling Tuesday angered
Frink and surprised John Bennett,

the attorney for the U.S. Figure

Skating Association.

The association had asked that

Gillooly appear at the hearing, which will consider whether Har-

of ethics by her actions surround-

ing the Jan. 6 attack on her rival,

Nancy Kerrigan.

Allowing Gillooly to go to Colo-

rado Springs "would lead some sort of credence or approval of what his testimony might be."

"It gives the appearance that this

court is not neutral by me sending somebody to testify, not in a court

of law, not under any subpoena, but merely because some associa-

tion wants to pursue its rules of

professional conduct," the judge

Frink said at the close of the court proceeding that "the court, far from maintaining neutrality by denying him the ability to appear at

Gillooly has pleaded guilty to racketeering in connection with his role in the attack on Kerrigan but is

free on bail pending sentencing. He

has said Harding was in on the plor and gave the final go-shead — alle-

"I can see no reason why this

court should not permit him to go,"

Frink said. "I know far more frivo-

lous requests that the state has rou-

When Frink suggested that the judge was "barking down the wrong road," Londer replied, "But it's my road, Mr. Frink."

this hearing, does the oppos

entions Harding denies.

PORTLAND, Oregon - Jeff

Court Won't Let Ex-Husband

Attend Harding's Hearing



Katarina Witt's strong performance put her in sixth place.

played the role of the Black Swan from Swan Lake - and skates that appeared clumsily large for her 16

year old body.

But they loved Kernigan more.

prised" by the judge's decision.
"I don't quite understand the court's logic," he said.
Londer said Gillooly was free to

testify by deposition for the Colo-

rado hearing. But Bennett said that would prevent Harding and her at-

tomeys from cross-examining him.
"It's always preferable to have live testimony from a witness," Bennett said. "That's our prefer-

ence. If we have so do something-

else, we'll do it."

Bennett said Harding's attorneys

had requested an indefinite delay of the bearing because the March 9

nett said, "That's something

hadn't considered, and we may ad-

dress that to the figure skating as-

Londer noted that Harding has

not been charged with a crime. A

grand jury investigating the case is

to deliver its final report March 21. Frink could benefit from Gilloo-

ly's appearance at the hearing be-

The figure skating association panel found unanimously on Feb. 5

that there were "reasonable

grounds" to believe Harding was

involved with or knew of the attack on Kerrigan, and it scheduled the

disciplinary hearing. The associa-

tion could revoke Harding's mem-

bership, which would disqualify

her from the world championships,

Gillooly's attorney, Ron Hoevet,

for test his client had taken if the

said he would give the figure skat-ing association results of a lie-de-

association decides it is admissible

at its hearing. Lie-detector tests are not admissible in Oregon courts.

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they could see that Harding had You could say good triumphed been knocked out of the top five by over bad — thus far — but the Szewczenko. They loved Baiul sin-truest result is that she became cerely in her black headdress—she their heroine.

> Meeting Harding's Dad: Not a Typical Fish Story

HAMAR - I left the Olympic media village Wednesday after-noon, walked to the shore of frozen Lake Mjosa, and ventured out to visit the ice fishermen I could barely make out more than half a mile

away.

It was perfect therapy for someone covering the Nancy Kerngan-Tonya Harding saga. The fisher-men never said a word about figure skating, and while they weren't having a very good day, they did have some small perch to show for

their efforts.
As I trudged back toward land through the foot-high snow, trying to follow the tracks the lishermen had made. I could see a few people watching from shore. As I got there, a man walked toward me.

Are they catching anything out
there? he asked.

He looked familiar.

date "was inconvenient" for Har-ding. As for the possibility the bearing could be moved to Port-"Are you Al Harding?" I asked. He said he was, It was Tonya's land so Gillooly could testify, Benother reporters and I had been on the balcony of his apartment build-

ing in Portland, Oregon, last month, trying to talk our way in-"I couldn't say anything to you then, and I can't say anything to you now," he said politely.

I said that was fine. We talked about fishing. Harding loves to ice fish in Ida.

cause anything he says there pre-sumably could be used in any criminal case against her. ho, and used to take Tonya fishing when she was little. I suggested he walk out and see

how the Norwegians were doing. He said he was planning to, but needed to go inside to change his shoes. He has been befriended by a family with a cottage on the lake and came by for a few hours prior to Wednesday night's compension. As we looked out at the expansive, snow-covered lake before us, I said that perhaps Kerrigan and Harding should have practiced on this ice, where they would have had room to maneuver without worry-

ng about running into each other. Yeah," Harding said, "that would have been nice." Then he came up with a better

"They should just bring the Zamboni out," he said, "clear off the ice and hold the competition

- CHRISTINE BRENNAN

Germany, 3-0, Blanked Again

The Associated Press

GJOVIK - Sweden, fighting its reputation as an Olympic hockey underachiever, moved into the semifinals with a 3-0 victory Wednesday night over Germany.

Tommy Salo stopped 18 sbots, and Sweden got goals from Fredrik Stillman in the second period and Stefan Ornskog and Magnus Svensson in a bruising third. The Swedes play Friday against the win-

ner of the later game between Slovakia and Russia. The loser of that game faces Germany in a consolation match Thursday. The other semifinal pits Finland against Canada, Sweden [4-1-1] won the world champion-ships in 1991 and 1992 and was seeded first

in the Olympics two years ago. But it lost, 3-1, to bronze medalist Czechoslovakia in the quarterfinals and ended up fifth. Sweden has finished better than third just twice in the Olympics, winning silver medals in 1928 and 1964. It took the bronze in 1980,

:1984 and 1988. Germany (3-3) was shut out for the second time in six games. It lost to the Czech Republic, 1-0, and has been outscored, 17-

Stillman gave Sweden the only goal it needed at 4:14 of the first period when he beat goalie Helmut De Raaf with a six-meter (20-foot) wrist shot from the slot on a perfect

pass from Jonas Bergqvist. Ornskog converted a pass from Mats Nasshot from straight in front of the net that De Raaf had trouble finding. The goalie was looking to his left when the soft flip beat him

to the right at 7:42 of the third period. The final goal came at 9:10, when Svensson's shot from the right point went in off the near post.

German defenseman Ulrich Hiemer, who crashed headlong into the boards near the end of the first period and had to be helped from the rink. Germany's coach. Ludek Bukac, said later that Hiemer had been taken to the hospital with a dislocated shoulder. IAP.

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Ville Peltonen helped Saku Koivu celebrate his goal, Finland's first in their 6-1 quarterfinal victory over the U.S. team.

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SPORTS WINTER CLASSIC



Markus Wasmeier of Germany roared back from third place after the first giant slalom run to win his second gold medal at the Games.

He Edges Kaelin as Tomba

And Aamodt Fare Poorly

By Harvey Araton

Wednesday on the gold medal stand, no La Bomba, just the mod-est renaissance man from Bavaria.

Markus Wasmeier keeps show-

ing up where he wasn't expected.

Or wanted. But when the world's

foremest alpine producer of head-lines skied himself into a slow news

day, here came Wasmeier to beat

day, here came Wasmeier to beat Alberto Tomba, and the highly touted Norwegians as well, to win the gold medal in giant slalom. It was the 30-year-old German's second gold medal of the Olympics, after coming from nowhere, or 35th place in downhill, to win in super giant, slalom. The margin of victory, two-hundredths of a second, over Switzerland's Urs Kaelin, was

er Switzerland's Urs Kachn, was

the smallest in Olympic alpine his-tory. As surprised as Wasmeier said

he was to win in Kvitifell fast

Thursday, he was positively aston-

ished to discover himself in third

place after the first of two runs

Wednesday down the Hafjell

Skiing out of the 17th position.

Wasmeier completed his first run

in 1 minute 28.34 seconds. He

turned back toward the scoreboard

and removed his goggles. When he saw the time, and his standing be-

hind Austria's Christian Mayer and

Kaelin, Wasmeier pointed a finger

at himself and hunched his shoul-

When he was told, "Yes, you,"

he laughed charmingly at the won-derment of it all, raised his poles in

the air and shook them in celebra-

tioo. All that, and there was still another run scheduled for early af-

By that time, Italy's Tomba was

Asmodt, was even slower, trailing

in 18th by 1.69 seconds. An expect-

ed showdown between Tomba, gold medalist in this event in 1988.

and 1992, and Aamodt, the World

Cup champion in 1993 and current giant slalom and overall leader, had caused Olympic officials to hastily

ternoon.

OYER - There was no bombast

Wasmeier Wins the Giant Slalom, 2d Gold

Blair Goes Out With a Record, Winning Gold in 1,000 Meters

By Ira Berkow New York Times Service

HAMAR - When it was over. when she had won the 1,000-meter speed skating race to become America's most decorated female Olympic athlete, Bonnie Blair skated around the oval at the Viking Ship Hall, a smile on her face, a moistness in her eyes, and raised her left hand, palm up, to a band of adoring, cheering fans. She seemed to be saying, "Five." for the fifth gold medal she has won over three Olympics. She might also have ocen waving goodbye, not just for the night, but for all time.

The race in which Blair's time of :18.74 best Anke Baier of Germawas the last that she would skate in the Olympics. One month short of her 30th birthday, she had already announced that these would be her

"Being able to come to the Olympics, and then to win five gold medals and a bronze - it was something I definitely never dreamed of," she said. All the Olympics I've been in have differanings, but this one is a little sad. It is my last."

Whatever dreams she dreamed growing up in Champaign. Illinois. letes - men or women. American or otherwise - who follow "She is the pest," said Baier. And

she smiled, understanding that sayng more would be gilding the lily. Blair had come into the competition needing one medal to push her past the sprinter Evelyn Ashford. the swimmer Janet Evans and the diver Pat McCormick as the most successful American female Olympian. It would also send her past the speedskater Eric Heiden, who swept the five speedskating events

Blair won the gold in the 500 and a bronze in the 1.000 in Calgary in 1988, then carned the gold in both the 500 and the 1,000 in Albertville. Earlier in these Olympics, Blair won the 500 for a third straight time and her fifth career medal. Then, in the 1.500, which is not her best event and in which she tired near the end, she narrowly missed a

The 1.000-meter sprint would be her last chance.

"She always seems calm before a race," said Chantal Bailey, her teammate who finished 31st in the 1,000 and was a year behind her in high school in Champaign. "And today was no exception. She was humming When the Saints go Marching In in the locker room. think she just has so much confi-dence in herself, that she's not go-

skating pairs with a significant ri-val. Ye Qiaobo, from China, whom

ville, by 18-hundredths of a second.

Blair had also shown a distaste for Ye, which she did not disguise.

Chanese rival recently. Blair said,

her licels.

"It was good to know someone was chasing me from the back-stretch," she said. "It was how I grew up skating, having someone challenge me. Made me pump harder.

When the times were posted. with Biast ahead by 1.48 seconds, it appeared even at that early stage that it was a time that might be unsurpassable. In fact, Ye's time stood up for the bronze medal. Later, on the medal platform,

rising of the American flag and sofuly sang the national authem. Then she laced on her skates and

took one last spin around the track. "In time." she said, "I'm sure I will realize what all this means the medals and the Olympics - but

ice, seeming to float past the stands, past the cheers, waving the

ing to allow herself to get nervous."

Blair was in the second of 18

Blair had beaten for the gold at 1,000 meters in Albertville by just two-hundredths of a second, Blair also beat Ye in the 500 at Albert-

In Calgary, Ye was sent home be-fore compeons when she tested positive for a banned substance. Ye said they were drugs given by her doctor without her knowledge. Blair has never accepted the explanation. When asked about her

"There's really nothing I can say about her." Rather, it seemed there was nothing she wanted to say in bine hood and goggles and red-white-and-blue skating uni-

form, Blair lized up against Ye, in red and gold, as the starting gun

"I felt I had a good reaction to the gun." Biair said later. "And I felt good as I made the first turn. nice and relaxed." She recalled a satisfying acceleration, and the en-

Blair hugged Baier. Then she lurned to Ye below her, and shook her hand with a smile. There were tears in Ye's eyes. "I am sad for my knee," she said later.

I couldn't do my best, I am still feeling pain."

Blair stood on the top step of the medals platform and turned to the

for now, well. I'm just going to go out and enjoy myself." Music filled the arena as Bonnie Blair skated around the gleaming

flag and smiling through wet eyes.



Bonnie Blair bowed out of the Games with a fifth gold medal.

Japan's Flying Start Dims Norway's Hopes In Nordic Combined

LILLEHAMMER - Japan

soared virtually out of reach Wednesday in its quest for a second straight Olympic gold medal in the Nordic team event combining ski jumping and cross-country racing.

"Hopeless" was the Norwegians' estimate of their three-man team's chances of catching the Japanese in the 30-kilometer cross-country relay Thursday, Points from Wednesday's jumping give Japan a head start of 5 minutes, 7 seconds.

Takanori Kono flew 10b meters on his first jump — an excellent normal-hill distance even for athletes who concentrate on jumping

Then Kenji Ogiwara, the individual Nordic combined world champion, clinched the 5-minute advantage with a 96-meter final leap before more than 23,000 speciators, mostly Norwegians.

"We thought 3 minutes is good enough. Now it's 5, so we are sure to win the gold." Ogiwara said after the Japanese team followed its favorite formula - run up a big lead in the jump to ease the way through the cross-country.

The Norwegians said they would have a realistic chance of catching up only if the gap were 14 minutes

Switzerland will start 7:30 behind Japan and Estonia 9:32 be-

Kono and Ogiwara both were members of the Japanese trio that won the event in 1992, giving Japan its first Olympic gold in 20 years. Ogiwara also has won five of the last six individual World Cup meets, and Kono is second in the World Cup standings.

Ogiwara had wind problems in petition last week, however, and linished fourth. Kono won the sil-

ver medal hehind Fred Borre Lundberg of Norway.

"Today, the wind conditions were the same for all." Ogiwara said. "In the individual competi-

In conditions like Wedoesday's, he added, "we Japanese still have a big advantage over Norway."

But Lundberg, who won the jumping portion on his way to the individual gold, disagreed abou the wind as he managed only 81.5 and 86.5, well below his 92.5 and 92

ast week. "I was a bit unlucky with the elements." Lundberg said. "I had a little wind in my back and landed

Bjarte Engen Vik. the individual

branze medalist, jumped 93.5 and 94 for Norway, and Knut Tore Apriland leaped 89 and 82.

lo addition to Kono's 100-meter leap in the first round, the longest

in these Games' individual or team combined competition. Masashi Abc leaped 92 and Ogiwara 89.5. In the second round, Ahe jumped 88.5 and Kono soared 94 before Ogiwara's 96-meter leap. It exceeded the best leap in nor-

mal-hill training later Wednesday by the specialist jumpers — 92.5 by Andreas Goldherger of Austria, the large-hill bronze medalist here.

"The first jump was perfect,"
Kono said. "I tried to imagine a
very good jump, and I could fly just
the way I imagined."

Japan's jumping points totaled 733.5 to 672 for Norway, 643.5 for Switzerland, 619 for Estonia and 609 for Austria. So far in these Games, Japan has

no golds. Its ski jumping team feli his jumping in the individual com- just short of victory Tuesday on a disappointing final jump that let

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a hopeless 13th, I second and 19. He was down to Sunday, a last

Olympic giant slalom was pushed Sweden's Pernilla Wiberg won the back 30 minutes, with organizers women's combined gold medal in announcing that the first leg will. Alpine skiing, now start at 10 A.M. (0900 GMT), "Here at Halfell it's wonderful to with the second leg due to hegin at 1 P.M. (1200 GMT) as previously.

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The change was made to guaran-The change was made to guarantee consistent light for the skiers.

• Johann Olav Koss, Norway's speed-skating superhero, has auctioned off the last Lillehammer Olympic countdown T-shirt for \$10,000, but Olympic Aid, the charity organization that benefited from the sale, can't seem to get rid

A local business had bought it for \$7,500 — one T-shirt was auctioned off each day in the 1,000 days before the opening ceremony then gave it to Olympic Aid.

Norwegian shipowner Knut Kloster, who paid the \$10,000, followed the example of the shirt's first owner and immediately gave it back to the organization. He suggested it should be auc-

tioned again to raise money in Atlanta at the 1996 Summer Games. The usual Norwegian-Swedish rivalry has been put on the back burner in these Games, with the Swedes, who haven't fared well, generally getting warm receptions from the predominantly. Norwe-

The start of Thursday's women's turning up the flame the day when

giant slalom race this season, and

Wasmeier, oo the other hand,

was just out having the time of his life. "I had no pressure," he said. "I

had my gold medal. My Olympics

was over after the race, I said, O.K. have a good time."

skiing in reverse order of finish,

Wasmeier drew the 14th position.

tom of the bill for disqualification.

Despite Aamodt wioding up

12th overall, the Norwegian fans got a thrill when Jan Einar Thor-

1992, briefly took the lead by 16-hundredths of a second. But then

With the top 16 in the first run

best Norwegian could only manage 15th," Dahlberg gloated. · U.S. figure skater Nancy Kerrigan has signed her contract with Walt Disney Co. Terms were not disclosed, but it includes a TV story of her life, a children's book and

be a Swede, especially since the

appearances at Disney theme parks. The deal is not contingent on Kerrigan's winning a medal, Greg Taylor, a spokesman for Walt Dis-

ney Television, said Tuesday.
"Absolutely not," he said. "Nancy Kerrigan has been involved in Disney in the past with ice specials that we've done. She's been a wonderful asset to our lineup of talent

The agreement was signed Friday, Taylor said; after Olympic officials gave their approval, allowing Kerrigan to retain her amateur standing to compete in the Games.

 China, which finished second in the women's 3,000-meter short- she said. "I was talking with the Friday's 15-kilometer race for track speed-skating relay, was disqualified for impeding the U.S. squad. Canada was promoted to the silver medal and the Americans were awarded the bronze.



Gerard Escoda of Andorra joined the ranks of those not finishing the men's giant slalom, a list headed by the Italian favorite, Alberto Tomba, who missed a gate in the second run and was disqualified.

Tomba, running fourth, was oot making up much time, when he missed the third gate from the bothundredths off the pace. The other chance to become the first to win lavorite. Norway's Kjetil Andre Alpine gold at three consecutive ond and third-place finishes in Alpine gold at three consecutive World Cup this season, could catch Wasmcier. They could not, though Kaelin's silver was the first medal of the Olympics for an Austrian team shaken by the death of Ulrike Maier in a women's downhill last month. Mayer's bronze got the once-dominant Swiss men on the Wasmeier, following Thorsen, took, medal board as well.

it away, just like Moe had stolen the downhill from Aamodt, with a its third gold medal in six alpine well meet again on Sunday,"

We'll meet again on Sunday,"

Tomba told lulian reporters gathof his 10 years on the tour. Fourth The crowd deflated, the only questions remaining were whether Kaelin and Mayer, with first, sec-Olympic showing, but he hit the since Alta Badia. The course was jackpot here.

He said he would party Wednes-day night, then return home to his race in the Italian resort of Alta wife and child in Schliersee, play Badia in December, in which he his beloved Mozart on his zither finished second. and viola, then go back on the tour

ered around him at the finish line. Reuters reported. That was the toughest giant

Tomba confessed to feeling tired

for at least another year. Earlier at the end of the first leg, a reveal-thoughts of retirement have been ing admission for a man who has dropped. Why stop when you're long been respected for his physical strength.

Bedard Gets Her 2d Gold, Tchepikov Wins the Men's Biathlon

The Associated Press LILLEHAMMER - Myriam Bedard of Canada won her second biathion gold medal on Wednesday, edging Svetlana Paramygina of Belarus by 1.1 seconds in the women's 7.5-kilometer sprint.

Valentyna Tserbe of Ukraine hit all 10 targets and got the bronze medal, 1.2 seconds behind Bedard. It was the closest finish for Olympic medals in the history of the event. Bedard, 24, completed the course at Birkebeineren Stadium in 26 minutes, 08.8 seconds after two

misses at the shooting range.

This second gold medal is a bonus," she said. "I did not expect this one. I thought I had no chance of a medal because they told me l was trailing by 16 seconds. Soon after they told me I was trailing by only 10 seconds. I won the race in the last part."

Bedard said she was much more relaxed than on Friday, when she best Anne Briand of France in the 15-kilometer event to become North America's first Olympic biathlon gold medalist.

"Today I was not nervous at all," people in the wax house, I was joking. I was very relaxed. I could not be more relaxed. Her victory was not a surprise. Last year Redard won the 7.5-kilowon a bronze at 15 kilometers at the Olympics in Albertville, France. Paramygina, who just failed to make the podium in the 15 kilome-ter, missed two targets in the race Wednesday. Only four of the 69 competitors shot cleanly.

Nathalie Santer of Italy, who led

the World Cup overall standings coming into the Lillehammer Games, did not win a medal for the second straight race, coming in seventh, 30 seconds behind. She had three misses. In the 15 kilometer, Santer was 25th, having missed eight out of 20 targets.

lana Sheshiki of Kazakhstan made a desperate bid to get into the medals, but had to settle for fourth The biathlon combines a cross

country ski race with shooting ability. Io the sprint events, the competitors pass through a shooting range twice, shooting prone on the first round and then standing, Each missed target means one lap on the 150-meter penalty loop. On Sunday, a Canadian televi-

sion network report had claimed

that targets malfunctioned during

women. Biathlon officials and ath-

letes dismissed the allegation, and

Bedard reiterated those comments Wednesday. "It takes more than that to make



But a Swedish radio reporter. No amouncement of China's meter spint title in the World BiathMats Dahlberg, couldn't resist climination was made public. In Championships and in 1992 she

It takes more than that to make my focus out, "she said. "It was not am issue."

Myriam Bedard gasped for air after grasping the biathlon gold.

Compiled in the Stuff From Disputcher LILLEHAMMER - Sergei Tchepikov of Russia combined perfect shooting with fast skiing on Wednesday to win the men's biathlon sprint.

crowd at Birkeheineren Stadium. Tchepikov's winning time was 28 minutes, 7 seconds. That was 6 seconds ahead of Gross.

Tve had problems with my shooting in practice in the last few days, but today it was perfect," said Gross, who didn't compete in the men's first biathlon event.

Sergei Tarasov of Russia, who won the 20-kilometer event Sunday, finished third, 20.4 seconds behind the winner. Tarasov, who beat Germany's

Frank Luck by 3.4 seconds in the 20 kilometer on Sunday, lost his chance for a double triumph when he missed one shot on the first of his two visits to the firing range. had to ski for the missed shot was behind the winner.

the difference between gold and ing later and knowing what he had to do to beat the German.

Dratchev, placed fourth, 21.9 seconds behind. Only four of the 68 finishers shot cleanly.

This was the first Olympic gold for Tchepikov, who had five misses Ricco Gross of Germany, who in the 20 kilometer but still manheld a 5.8-second advantage over aged to finish eighth. He was third Tchepikov after the final shooting in the sprint race at the 1988 Olymprange, slipped to second. Gross also shot cleanly before a roaring years ago in Albertville.

His only medals in three world championship starts were a silver in 1990 and a bronze last year, both at

Tchepikov. 27, won the World Cup overall crown in 1991, but fell to 11th the next two years. Coming into the Lillehammer Games Tchepikov was tied for 39th overall after scoring to just one race. Luck finished sixth Wednesday.

with teammate Sven Fischer sev-

Mark Kirchner of Germany, the winner of the last three world championship sprints and the 1992 Olympic champion, struggled to stay with the pace, and two missed shots cost him any chance of a The 150-meter penalty circuit he medal. He finished 12th, 1:44.70

Patrice Bailly-Salins, the World ronze. Cup overall leader from France. Chepikov and Gross scored 10 failed to make the top 10 for the out of 10 on the range, and the second straight race. He was 11th. Russian had the advantage of ski- 1:36.1 behind after missing two targets. He smished 13th in the 20 kilometer. (AP, Reuters)

ART BUCHWALD

Good Old Fish Wrapper

WASHINGTON — Not long ago I read that the San Jose and still others on the train. It is Mercury News had published its first electronic edition of the paper on a computer. It is predicted by some that the computer will eventually replace newsprint as the bearer of bad news

As someone who has been working with news on paper for decades. I can only say:

"Fie on computers and their information high-The wavs. newspaper as we know it will nev-

er die. Let me make my case. Not a day goes by without us read-

Buchwald ing bad news. The only thing that keeps us from panicking is that we can hold on to the pages with both hands while we scan the grim headlines. There is no way you can get the same grip on your nerves by clinging to the sides of a computer.

The electronic newspaper is cold when it appears on the screen. while a newspaper is hot, particularly when you start a fire with it.

The advantage of a newspaper is that you don't have to sit down in a particular place and stare at a screen to find out what's happening in the world. Some people read it in

Three Picassos Donated To Washington Museum

Historian Part Service WASHINGTON -- The Phillips Collection, a private art musuem here, announced that it has been given three 1430s oils by Pablo Picasso and two landscape-like ab-stractions by the late Richard Diehenkorn. The Picassos are a fiery reclining nude, a fruit-and-carafe still life and a portrait of his mistress-muse, Dora Maar, The Diebenkoms are works on paper from his "Ocean Park" series,

Gallery Director Charles S. Moffett did not assign them prices, but in terms of today's market they are worth, in aggregate, perhaps \$5 million. The Picassos were donated by the Carey Walker Foundation and the Diebenkorns by his widow.

and still others on the train. It is lightweight and portable and designed to be reader-friendly.

Needless to say a computer is useless for bining a garbage pail or for the bottom of a bird cage. There isn't a machine on the market that you can safely take a swipe at the dog with when he does something

The promoters of electronic news are trying to sell us on the convenience of clicking a key instead of browsing through the pages by hand. That shows how dumb they real-

ly are. The joy of a paper comes from being surprised. Your evescans the page and suddenly you discover that Senator Packwood won't release his diaries. Biugo! On page 6 is an item you never dreamed of - Safeway is having a sale on asparagus. You can't enjoy these kind of discoveries electroni-

One of the arguments for computer news is that the reader can talk back to the screen and vent his anger immediately at the editors. This is a joke. I don't know one editor who pays attention to reader

mail, and he sure as heck isn't going to do it reading some guy's electronic hulletin board. Now here is the other downer

when it comes to computers. To read the news on your screen, you will need to be connected to the telephone company by modem. and it is going to charge you an arm and a leg to tell you what Michael Jackson is up to that day. You'll be tied up on the line for hours until you finish the comic strips. This means that you will feel financially pressured to read the publication as fast as possible so that it won't cost you a hundle.

A newspaper charges one price and you get to read everything at your own pace. You can put it down, drive the kids to a soccer game and come back and pick up right where you left off without paying a dime to the phone compa-

To sum up, there is no advantage to having a computer replace a printed newspaper. Let the computers do your subscription billing. hut leave the delivery of the news to something you can wrap fish in.

Waiting for Light in Prague

By Jane Perlez New York Times Service

DRAGUE - For readers of Eastern European literature, the arrival of a new novel by the Czech dissident writer Ivan Klima is a noteworthy and anticipated event. Klima's "Judge on Trial," a many-layered story of a Communist judge who compromised his way through life, was hailed by Western critics last year as a landmark work about the mentality of the apparatchiks who ran the Czech dreiatorship.

But the publication here of Klima's latest work, "Waiting for Dark, Waiting for Light." has passed almost without notice. Reviews have been sparse, there are no displays in Prague's hookstore windows and sales clerks respond with blank stares when they are asked for a copy. Yet the novel, a look at Czechoslovakia before and after the end of Communist rule in 1989, is to be published with considerable fanfare by Granta in England in August and several American publishers are vying for it.

The apparent Czech indifference toward Klima's new work reflects what is perceived here as a malaise gripping the intellectual life of Prague despite newfound political freedoms. For many Czechs, this city's reputation ahroad as the new Paris of Eastern Europe seems ill-founded.

Klima, a friendly 63-year-old, offered his own explanation in a recent interview: "Our critics don't like people who are well known ahroad." he said benignly. As an example, he cited a review of "Waiting for Dark, Waiting for Light" in which a Czech critic dismissed the novel as having been

written for export." But there is something deeper in the current malaise than just the provincial taste of critics. Klima and others in Prague's cultural milieu feel that expectations for a burst of creativity when the Communist shackles came off were probably too high.

The new minister of culture. Pavel Tigrid. who spent the Communist era in Paris as an opposition journalist, put it this way in January at his first news conference:

"For Americans who never, fortunately, had to live in unfreedom, it is difficult to imagine 40 years of a regime that was not only totalitarian but vulgar and stupid. I don't think that io 40 years there was one single idea that was original, People are tired. On the other hand. there are two or three writers who are very promising so give us a chance,"

Klima, who is philosophical about the situation rather than disappointed, said: "People in theater, for example, thought they would nut on Ionesco and have full theaters. They dreamed all their lives about putting Ionesco on stage and now that they could, no one

In part, this is because many in the educated class who are interested in 20th-century

European playwrights either cannot afford to privately writes film scripts. When the 1989 pay the increased price of theater tickets or have had to sacrifice leisure time to make ends meet.

"In this country, the intelligentsia are so underpaid they have no money to buy tickets and they are too busy," Klima said. "When they finish their official work, they have to carn more money. With the exception of lawyers, they still earn one-quarter as much as those who work with their hands."

Klima said it was difficult for a writer to capture the post-Communist mood in a novel



Pavel Horepu for The New York Time Ivan Klima: "People are tired."

because things were changing so fast. Instead, he said, young creative people seem to be concentrating on documentaries for televi-sion, some of which reflect aspects of post-Communist life very well. "I saw a perfect short movie on television three or four days ago on racism," he said.

He was referring to a common antipathy toward Vietnamese who came here on past exchange programs from Communist Viet-

As he worked on his new novel, he said, he was fascinated by the question of whether people who had been part of the old regime, even unhappily, would survive in the new era.

The main character in "Waiting for Dark, Waiting for Light is a cameraman for state

television whose job was to film the president installed by the Soviets after the crackdown in 1968. In some ways the cameraman bates the regime, and in order to express himself he

revolution comes, the cameraman is pivotal in ensuring that the street protests are actually shown on television. Thus, while still being part of the old regime, he helps bring it down.

"These people who lived a schizophrenic life, could they enter a normal life again?"
Klima said. "That's the question I was trying to solve." He hints that the answer seems to be no. "Readers have told me it is a very depressing ending," he said with a smile.

Klima starts his mornings at his desk, where he works on a laptop computer and with a large four-volume edition of a Czech dictionary at hand. The study is lined floor to ceiling with books, with wall space reserved for paintings by his daughter, Hana Klimova Pavlatova, who has illustrated some editions of Klima's works. There is also a large oil painting depicting the Czech writer Franz Kafka working as a land surveyor. The image is especially meaningful to klima, who was banned from writing in 1970; one of the interim jobs he found was as a surveyor.

The shelves brim with the many editions of Klima's works in foreign languages as well as rare copies in the underground form called

His "Judge on Trial" was first published in 1979 in German and in a samizdat edition of small bound volumes printed on airmail pa-per. Klima rewrote "Judge on Trial" in the 1980s, before the Czech and English editions were published.

Another valuable edition on his bookshelves is the sliver-thin paperback, now yel-lowing with age, of his Kafkaesque play, "The Castle," about a system that survives by murdering its people. The play's publication led to a ban on his writing at home, but also brought him increased attention abroad.

nediately after the fall of the Commu nist regime in 1989, Klima at last had the satisfaction of seeing his novels appear in Czech and with large print runs. "Love and Garbage," which dealt with survival under a dictatorship, quickly sold out its first run of 100.000 copies.

But even with those early, impressive successes and Klima's growing reputation at home and abroad, the Czech critics were not particularly friendly to his work-

They are used to one-level literature." Klima said. "They were educated in these old universities by Communist professors who taught them to look for positive heroes and negative heroes. They're now looking for pos-itive heroes opposing the negative ones and they didn't find them in my books."

He is unruffled by the smaller print run only 15,000 copies — of his new book. But he was delighted the other day when he opened a letter from a reader in the United States who had written to say that now, after reading husband so much better.

PEOPLE

Harvard's Movie Man

Tom Cruise traded pinstripes and dress whites for a bra and hot pink pumps as he accepted the man of the year award from Harvard's Hasty Pudding Club. Cruise, who played Harvard-schooled lawyers in "The Firm" and "A Few Good Mcn." put on the pumps after his hosts joked about the 5-foot-9 actor's reputation for not wanting to share a stage with anyone taller. Cruise was then given a bra with a bright red satin Harvard insignia on each cup, which he put on over

The American writer Sesan Sontag was presented with a solid gold fountain pen and \$25,000 as this year's North American recipient of the Montblanc de la Culture award. She was honored for directing the Samuel Beckett play "Waiting for Godot," which was performed by candelight in Sarajevo last year as Serbian forces shelled the city. Sontag, 61, is donating the gift to the Bosnian PEN center, a wing of an international writers' group. The British playwright Allan Ayckbourn received the foundation's European award and Keizo Saji, the president

Animal rights advocate Brigitte Bardot bas accused Bernard Charles, the mayor of Cahors, France, of "massacring nearly 1,000 pigeons" by gassing them after capturing them with nets. "You have committed a genocide and I weigh my words," Bardot wrote in a letter. A town councilor, Alain Bacon, said that "only 250" pigeons had been destroyed last week.

of Suntory Corp., the Asian prize.

After reports that Margaret Thatcher was angered to see Prime Minister John Major's wife wearing one of her favorite necklaces, a Labour Party politician, Ann Clwyd, asked in the British Parliament in what circumstances gifts made to the prime minister which are state property may be used; and, in the case of jewery, who is entitled to wear it." Major, Thatcher's successor, replied in a parliamentary writ-ten response: "These are matters for the prime minister's discretion."

When Gillian Anderson, the music specialist at the Library of Congress, was given access in 1992 to the

Charlie Chaplin archives, at the Chaplin home in Vevey, Switzerland, she uncarthed the original musical scores of three silent films —
"The Circus," "The Gold Rush" and "A Woman of Paris." On Friday at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. there will be a special showing of the 1928 film, "The Circus," with Anderson conducting an ensemble from the Manhattan School of Music in the original score.

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Rejections are not unfamiliar tomost authors, which is why Garrison Keillor came up with the idea of having five anthors each write a rejection of a literary classic for the Authors Guild Foundation benefit at the Metropolitan Club on March 7. Calvin Trillin said he would dismiss T. S. Eliot's "Waste Land" in rhyme: Wendy Wasserstein planned to disappoint Jane Ansten; Anna Quindlen would cast off "Alice in Wonderland"; George Plimpton planned to reject some imaginary work. Roy Blount said he is doing James Joyce's "Finnegans Wake," which he termed "a literary masterpiece of sorts." Why sorts? "I only read four pages of it," he said.

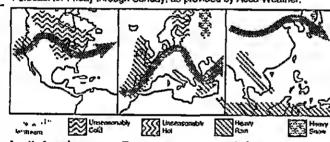
The Rhythm-and-Blues Founda-tion will celebrate Little Richard's hands him the Ray Charles Life time Achievement Award at its an-nual Pioneer Awards next Wednesday at Roseland in New York. The ceremony will also honor 10 singers and instrumentalists, as well as two groups, with awards totaling \$190,000.

Jimmy Carter is hawking pictures for a good cause. The former president will take bids from around the world Saturday for au-tographed color photos of all five former living U.S. presidents -Nixon, Ford, Carter, Reagan and Bush - taken at the dedication of the Reagan library in 1991. The proceeds will go to the Atlanta Project, a charity Carter and his wife, Rosalyan, founded to reduce poverty and other inner-city problems.

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WEEKEND SKI REPORT

5 55 Good Poor Var 2/19 5/6 lits open worn lower down 55 145 Good Open Pokd 2/19 63-64 lifts open, good piste sking 65 145 Good Open Pokd 2/17 All lits open, 18/m of x-country 45 150 Fest Icy Var 2/18 All 18 open, lated packed snow 60 290 Good Open Var 2/21 All 35 lits open, good piste sking Schladming SLAnton

15 140 Good Open Polid 2: 11 15:17 ktts open, 85cm at 2000

	Depth	Mite.	Res.		Last	
Resort	L U					
Cervinia						Majority of titts and runs open-
Cortina						All 40 Was open, good skiling
Cournayeur '	100 220					25/27 lifts open, great stong .
Selva	50 115	Good	Open	Pcke	2/18	All this and 170km of pister oper
Sestriera	115 245	Good				All 21 lifts open, eliberiant skiing
Herway		7.	1.46. 4			
Lillehammer, .	80 ' 80	Good,	Open.	Pakd	2/12	At hits open, great sloing
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Baquiera-Beret	175 315	Good	Open:	Ver	2/20	27 /22 Mrs and 36/43 (Mates oper
Switzerland.			· . ·		- 1	
Arosa	90 110	Good	Open	Var	2/17	All 16 little open, good piste skilns
Crans Montana	40 t50	Good	Open	Var	2/22	Frash snow on varied base
Davos	100 180	Good	Open	Var	2/17	All lifts open, excellent sking
Grindelwald	30 120	Good	Worn	· Var ·	2/21	All 33 lifts open, resort runs worn
Gstead .	35 90	Good	Open	Pwdr .	2/22	All 89 Mis open, good skiing .
St.Moritz	90 160	Good	Open			All 64-Mas open, good piste siding
Wengerr	30 90	Feir	Open	Var	2/21	All littls open, more snow needed
Verbier	90 360	Good	Open	Pwd	2/21	38/39 lifts open, great skiing
Zermatt ·	65 220	Good	Open			All 36 lifts open, some icy patchet
U.S.						
Aspen	F55 165	Good	Open	Pwdr	2/22	All B lifts goen
Breckenninge "	135 165	Good	Open	Var	2/22	All 10 lits open
		Good				16/22 MS open
Mammoth	210 270					26/30 kits open







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